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SPECIAL CONVENTION.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BURLINGTON,
Wednesday, August 30, 1893.

This being the time and place appointed for the meeting of the Special Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Vermont, for the election of a Bishop, several of the Clergy and Laity met at 9.30 o'clock A. M.

The proceedings of the Convention were begun by Morning Prayer, said by the Rev. Thomas Bell, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Middlebury, assisted in the Litany and Prayers by the Rev. William H. Collins, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Brattleboro.

The Prayers being concluded, and there being a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Convention, at 11 o'clock A. M., was called to order, as provided in the Canons, by the Rev. J. Isham Bliss, D. D., President of the Standing Committee; Thomas H. Canfield, of Burlington, Secretary.

The Secretary then read the Summons of the Standing Committee calling this Convention, which was as follows:

DIOCESE OF VERMONT.

To the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Vermont:—

At a meeting of the Standing Committee, held on the 5th day of July, 1893, it was moved—

Whereas, The Rev. Samuel Hart, D. D., recently elected Bishop by the Convention of this Diocese, has declined the said election,

Resolved:—That, in accordance with Title I, Canon VIII, Sec. 4, Diocesan Canons, a Special Convention of this Diocese be called to meet in St. Paul's Church, Burlington, on Wednesday, the 30th day of August next, at 11 o'clock A. M., to elect a Bishop in the place of William Henry Augustus Bissell, D. D., deceased.

Therefore, I, J. Isham Bliss, the President of the Standing Committee, do hereby summon a Special Convention of this Diocese to meet at the time and place aforesaid.

J. ISHAM BLISS,
President of the Standing Committee.

The Secretary then proceeded to call the roll of the Clergy entitled to seats in the Convention, as approved by the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and the following persons were found to be present:

JOSHUA ISHAM BLISS, D. D., President of Convention and Rector of St. Paul's Church, Burlington.

John Anketell, Priest in charge of St. James Church, Hydeville and St. Luke's Mission, Fair Haven.

*Rev. Frank Appleton, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, St. Johnsbury.

Those in italics were not present.

Those with * were not entitled to vote for Bishop.

BENJAMIN W. ATWELL, Rector of Trinity Church, Shelburne.

THOMAS BELL, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Middlebury.

GEORGE Y. BLISS, Assistant to the Rector of St. Paul's Church, Burlington.

FOREST H. BLUNT, Deacon in charge of St. Ann's Mission, Richford.

SIMON B. BLUNT, Deacon in charge of Church of Good Shepherd Mission, Barre.

Allen D. Brown, Deacon, assisting in Christ Church Guilford.

WILLIAM B. CLIFT, Priest in charge St. Mark's Mission, Newport, and St. Augustine's Mission, North Troy.

WILLIAM H. COLLINS, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Brattleboro.

ALONZO B. FLANDERS, D. D., Rector of St. Luke's Church, St. Albans.

JAMES C. FLANDERS, Rector of Zion Church, Manchester Center.

GEMONT GRAVES, Priest in charge of Christ Church, Fairfax, Calvary Church, Jericho, Trinity Church, Milton, and Emmanuel Church, Georgia.

EDWARD N. GODDARD, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Windsor.

LUCIUS M. HARDY, Principal of Bishop Hopkins Hall, Burlington.

*EDWARD P. LEE.

ALONZO N. LEWIS, Rector of Christ Church, Montpelier.

CHARLES MARTIN NILES, Rector of Trinity Church, Rutland.

THOMAS S. OCKFORD, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Chester.

EDWARD H. RANDALL, Rector of St. John's Church, Poultney.

DAVID L. SANFORD, Rector of Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls.

*RICHARD C. SEARING, Rector of St. James' Church, Arlington.

EDWARD B. SMITH, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Vergennes.

FRANCIS W. SMITH, Rector of St. James' Church, Woodstock.

Moses P. Stickney, residing at Royalton.

EDWARD S. STONE, Rector of Christ Church, Enosburgh, and St. Matthew's, Enosburgh Falls.

PAUL F. SWETT, Rector of St. John's Church, Highgate, and Holy Trinity, Swanton.

JOSEPHUS TRACITT, Rector of Calvary Church, Berkshire.

WILLIAM BOGERT WALKER, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Bennington.

WILLIAM F. WEEKS, Rector of St. Thomas's Church, Brandon.

Alfred H. Wheeler, Rector of Christ Church, Island Pond.

HOMER WHITE, S. T. D., Rector of Grace Church, Randolph, and St. John's Church, West Randolph.

GEORGE A. WILKINS, Rector of Christ Church, Bethel.

The President appointed the Rev. Messrs. Weeks and Niles as a Committee to report upon the credentials of Lay Delegates.

The list of Parishes in union with the Convention was then called over by the Secretary, when the Lay Delegates from the same presented their credentials.

The Committee, after examining the credentials, reported that the following Parishes were entitled to representation in

the Convention, the following persons having been duly elected as Lay Delegates, who took seats in the Convention :

St. James' Church, Arlington	Jesse Burdett, J. Rollin Judson, Edward C. Woodworth.
Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls	George H. Babbitt, James H. Williams, John W. Flint, George R. Wales.
St. Peter's Church, Bennington	Henry O. Harwood, John T. Shurtleff.
Calvary Church, Berkshire	Kiles A. Paul, Homer B. Loverin.
Christ Church, Bethel	Guy Wilson.
St. Thomas' Church, Brandon	George Briggs, Ebenezer J. Ormsbee, John P. Reed.
St. Michael's Church, Brattleboro	John Shea, Kittredge Haskins, Fred W. Childs.
St. Paul's Church, Burlington	Daniel W. Robinson. LeGrand B. Cannon. Heman W. Allen, John A. Arthur, Elias Lyman, Henry Wells,
Church of Holy Apostles, Cambridge	Vacant.
St. Luke's Church, Chester	Oscar Miller, Charles M. Webb.
Christ Church, Enosburgh	Caleb R. Brewer, Henry A. Cramton.
St. Matthew's Church, Enosburgh Falls	James W. Beatty, William R. Hutchinson, Schuyler W. Chadwick.
Christ Church, Fairfax	Rollin Wheeler.
Trinity Church, Fairfield	Vacant.
St. John's Church, Grand Isle	Vacant.
Christ Church, Guilford	Joseph M. Houghton.
St. John's Church, Highgate	Noah Parker Leach.
St. James' Church, Hydeville	Walter Metcalf, Samuel E. Hanger.
Christ Church, Island Pond	John Reeve, William H. Bishop, James Strathern.
Calvary Church, Jericho	Ira Hawley.
St. John's Church, Manchester	Vacant.
Zion's Church, Manchester Center	Edmond L. Wyman, John C. Heinel.
St. Stephen's Church, Middlebury	Edward W. Judd.
Trinity Church, Milton	Vacant.
Union Church, Montgomery	Otis N. Kelton.
Christ Church, Montpelier	Charles Dewey, Fred E. Smith, George Brainerd, George B. B. Denny.

St. Mary's Church, Northfield	George Nichols, Joseph K. Edgerton.
St. John's Church, Poultney	Arthur E. Horton, Edward G. Randall.
Grace Church, Randolph	Henry C. Gilbert.
St. John's Church, West Randolph	Joseph D. Dennison Arthur E. Lane.
St. Paul's Church, Royalton	Vacant.
Trinity Church, Rutland	George R. Bottum, Edson P. Gilson, Edward L. Temple, Chas. E. Ross, Levi G. Kingsley, Zalmon L. Barnum.
Grace Church, West Rutland	William W. Felt.
Grace Church, Sheldon	Horace W. Jones.
Trinity Church, Shelburne	Walter A. Weed, Orville A. Spear.
St. Luke's Church, St. Albans	Myron W. Bailey, John W. Hobart, James M. Foss, Hanson E. Lewis, Henry G. Morton, Charles S. Forbes.
St. Andrew's Church, St. Johnsbury	Wm. S. Boyton, Lyman P. Harriman, Francis O. Clark, George F. Cushman.
Holy Trinity Church, Swanton	Henry M. Stone.
St. Paul's Church, Vergennes	Cyrus A. Booth, Nicholas J. McCuen, Charles E. Parker, Spencer W. Hindes.
St. Paul's Church, Wells	Vacant.
St. Paul's Church, Windsor	Henry D. Stone, Edward Brown, Chas. E. Williams.
St. James Church, Woodstock	James B. Jones, Charles F. Chapman.

The roll of Lay Delegates was then called by the Secretary, when a quorum of Laity as well as Clergy, according to the Canons, were found to be presen. The President announced that the Convention was duly organized, twenty-seven Clergymen being present and entitled to vote for Bishop, and thirty-five Parishes represented by the Laity.

Mr. Shea submitted the following resolution, which was not adopted :

Resolved. That the roll of the Clergy as reported by the Standing Committee be non-concurred in, so far as it did not contain the name of the Rev. Mr. Searing, and that the roll of the Clergy be amended by adding the name of Mr. Searing thereto.

Mr. Haskins presented the following resolution, which was not adopted :

Resolved, That the roll of the Clergy as reported by the Standing Committee be non-curred in, so far as it did not contain the name of the Rev. Mr. Lee, and that the roll of the Clergy be amended by adding the name of the Rev. Mr. Lee thereto.

On motion of Mr. Temple,

Resolved, That the Convention now proceed to the election of the third Bishop of Vermont by ballot, without nominations or nominating speeches, acting strictly under the canons in that case provided.

When, after a brief address by the President and the usual religious devotions, the Convention proceeded to the election. The President appointed as Tellers of the clerical vote :

The Rev. BENJAMIN W. ATWELL,
The Rev. LUCIUS M. HARDY,
Mr. CHARLES S. FORBES,
Mr. CHARLES F. CHAPMAN.

As Tellers of the lay vote :

The Rev. DAVID L. SANFORD,
The Rev. JAMES C. FLANDERS,
Mr. CHARLES E. PARKER,
Mr. EWARD C. WOODWORTH.

The Secretary then called the roll of the Clergy, who came forward and deposited their ballots, and upon counting and canvassing the same, the following result was announced :

Whole number of votes cast	27
Necessary for a choice	14
Rev. Arthur C. A. Hall, M. A.	19
" Joseph Carey, D. D.	3
" H. P. Nichols	2
" Wm. H. Vibbert, D. D.	1
" Wm. J. Harris, D. D.	1
" Henry F. Allen	1
	27

The Secretary then called the roll of the Laity who came forward and deposited their ballots. Upon counting and canvassing the same, the following result was announced :

Whole number of votes cast.....82
Necessary to a choice.....42

Rev. Arthur C. A. Hall, M.A.....33
" Jos. Carey, D. D.....12
" H. P. Nichols.....23
" D. C. Roberts, D. D.....8
" W. H. Vibbert, D. D.....5
" E. S. Lines.....1

There being no election on part of the Laity, the President called for a second ballot.

The Secretary called the roll of the Clergy, who came forward and deposited their ballots with the Tellers, and the following result of the second ballot was announced :

Whole number of votes cast.....27
Necessary for a choice.....14

Rev. Arthur C. A. Hall, M. A.....21
" Fred P. Davenport, D. D.....1
" Joseph Carey, D. D.....1
" Henry P. Nichols.....2
" Wm. H. Vibbert, D. D.....2

The Secretary then called the roll of the Laity, who came forward and deposited their votes with the following result of second ballot :

Whole number of votes cast.....84
Necessary to a choice.....43

Rev. Arthur C. A. Hall, M. A.....45
" H. P. Nichols.....26
" Joseph Carey, D. D.....1
" Wm. H. Vibbert, D. D.....7
" D. C. Roberts, D. D.....4
" E. S. Lines.....1

The Rev. Arthur C. A. Hall, M. A., having received upon the second ballot a majority of votes of both orders was therefore elected Bishop.

On motion of Mr. Cannon of Burlington :

Resolved, That the election of the Rev. Arthur C. A. Hall, M. A. as Bishop be made unanimous, which was adopted by a rising vote.

The President then announced that the Reverend Arthur Crawshay Alliston Hall, M. A. (Oxon.) of Oxford, England, having received the requisite number of votes of the Clerical and Lay Delegates of this Convention, as required by Canons, is, and is hereby declared to be, duly elected Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Vermont,

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Niles, the whole Convention then arose and joined in singing the *Gloria in Excelsis*, after which the President conducted the public devotions of the Convention in the use of the Lord's Prayer and appropriate Collects.

The Canonical Testimonial in favor of the Consecration of the Bishop elect was then signed by the members of the Convention, of which the following is a copy :

DIOCESE OF VERMONT.

TESTIMONY FROM THE MEMBERS OF THE CONVENTION.

We, whose names are underwritten, fully sensible how important it is that the sacred office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion, without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that the REV. ARTHUR CRAWSHAY ALLISTON HALL, M. A., (Oxon.) of Oxford, England, is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion, or for viciousness of life ; and that we do not know or believe there is any impediment, on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to that Holy Office.

We do, moreover, jointly and severally declare, that we do in our conscience believe him to be of such sufficiency in good

learning, such soundness in the faith, and of such virtuous and pure manners and godly conversation, that he is apt and meet to exercise the office of a Bishop, to the honor of God, and the edifying of His Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ.

CLERGY.

JOSHUA ISHAM BLISS, D. D., President of Convention and Rector of St. Paul's Church, Burlington.

BENJAMIN W. ATWELL, Rector of Trinity Church, Shelburne.

THOMAS BELL, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Middlebury.

GEORGE V. BLISS, Assistant to the Rector of St. Paul's Church, Burlington.

[illegible] BLUNT, Deacon in charge of St. Ann's Mission, Richford.

[illegible] BLUNT, Deacon in charge of the Good Shepherd Mission, Barre.

[illegible] CLIFT, Priest in charge of St. Mark's Mission, [illegible] and St. Augustine's Mission, North Troy.

[illegible] COLLINS, Rector of St. Michael's Church, [illegible]

[illegible] SAUNDERS, D. D., Rector of St. Luke's Church, [illegible]

[illegible] SAUNDERS, Rector of Zion Church, Manchester [illegible]

[illegible] Priest in charge of Christ Church, Fair[illegible] Church, Jericho; Trinity Church, Milton; [illegible] Church, Georgia.

[illegible] Rector of St. Paul's Church, Wind-

LUCIUS M. HARDY, Principal of Bishop Hopkins Hall, Rock Point, Burlington.

ALONZO N. LEWIS, Rector of Christ Church, Montpelier.

CHARLES MARTIN NILES, Rector of Trinity Church, Rutland.

THOMAS S. OCKFORD, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Chester.

EDWARD H. RANDALL, Rector of St. John's Church, Poultney.

DAVID L. SANFORD, Rector of Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls.

EDWARD B. SMITH, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Vergennes.

FRANCIS W. SMITH, Rector of St. James' Church, Woodstock.

EDWARD S. STONE, Rector of Christ Church, Enosburgh, and St. Matthew's Church, Enosburgh Falls.

PAUL F. SWETT, Rector of St. John's Church, Highgate, and Holy Trinity Church, Swanton.

JOSEPHUS TRAGITT, S. T. B., Rector of Calvary Church, Berkshire.

WILLIAM BOGERT WALKER, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Bennington.

WILLIAM F. WEEKS, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Brandon.

HOMER WHITE, S. T. D., Rector of Grace Church, Randolph, and St. John's Church, West Randolph.

GEORGE A. WILKINS, M. A., Rector of Christ Church, Bethel, and St. Paul's Church, Royalton.

LAITY.

St. James' Church, Arlington	Jesse Burdett, J. Rollin Judson, Edward C. Woodworth.
Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls	James H. Williams, John W. Flint, George R. Wales.

St. Peter's Church, Bennington	John T. Shurtleff, Henry O. Harwood.
Calvary Church, Berkshire	Kiles H. Paul, Homer B. Loverin.
Christ Church, Bethel	Guy Wilson.
St. Thomas' Church, Brandon	Ebenezer J. Ormsbee, George Briggs, John P. Reed.
St. Michael's Church, Brattleboro	George Shea, Kittredge Haskins, F. W. Childs.
St. Paul's Church, Burlington	LeGrand B. Cannon, Heman W. Allen, Elias Lyman, Henry Wells, John A. Arthur, Daniel W. Robinson.
St. Luke's Church, Chester	Charles M. Webb, Oscar Miller.
Christ Church, Enosburgh	Caleb R. Brewer, Henry A. Cramton.
St. Matthew's Church, Enosburgh Falls	James W. Beatty, William R. Hutchinson, Schuyler W. Chadwick.
Christ Church, Fairfax	Rollin Wheeler.
Christ Church, Guilford	Joseph M. Houghton.
St. John's Church, Highgate	Noah Parker Leach.
St. James' Church, Hydeville	Samuel E. Hanger, Walter Metcalf.
Christ Church, Island Pond	John Reeve, William H. Bishop, James Strathern.
Calvary Church, Jericho	Ira Hawley.
Zion Church, Manchester Center	Edmond L. Wyman, John Chas. Heinel.
St. Stephen's Church, Middlebury	E. W. Judd.
Union Church, Montgomery	Otis N. Kelton.
Christ Church, Montpelier	Charles Dewey, Fred E. Smith, George B. B. Denny, George Brainerd.
St Mary's Church, Northfield	George Nichols, Joseph K. Edgerton.
St. John's Church, Poultney	Arthur E. Horton, Edward G. Randall.
Grace Church, Randolph	H. Closson Gilbert.
St. John's Church, West Randolph	Arthur E. Lane.
Trinity Church, Rutland	George R. Bottom, Levi G. Kingsley, Charles E. Ross, Edward L. Temple.
Grace Church, West Rutland	William W. Felt.
Trinity Church, Shelburne	Orville A. Spear.
Grace Church, Sheldon	Horace N. Jones.
St. Luke's Church, St. Albans	Myron W. Bailey, Charles S. Forbes.

Holy Trinity Church, Swanton	Henry M. Stone.
St. Paul's Church, Vergennes	Cyrus A. Booth, Nicholas J. McCuen, Charles E. Parker, Spencer W. Hindes.
St. Paul's Church, Windsor	Henry D. Stone, Charles E. Williams, Edward Brown.
St. James' Church, Woodstock	James B. Jones, Charles T. Chapman.

The Secretary then affixed to the Testimonial his certificate, which is as follows:

DIOCESE OF VERMONT.

TESTIMONY FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.

I, THOMAS H. CANFIELD, Secretary of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Vermont, do hereby certify that at a Special Convention of said Diocese, summoned as the Canon directs, held in St. Paul's Church, Burlington, on the 30th day of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three, the Rev. ARTHUR CRAWSHAY ALLISTON HALL, M. A. (Oxon.) of Oxford, England, was duly and canonically elected to the Office of Bishop of the aforesaid Diocese of Vermont; and that he was announced and declared to be thus elected, by the President of the Convention, the Rev. JOSHUA ISHAM BLISS, D. D.

Attest: THOMAS H. CANFIELD,

Secretary.

BURLINGTON, VT., August 30, 1893.

The signing of the Testimonial being concluded.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Walker,

Resolved, That a Committee consisting of two Clergymen and two Laymen be appointed to inform the Bishop-Elect of the action of this Convention, and request his acceptance.

The President appointed as such Committee, the Rev. Messrs. Walker and Weeks and Messrs. Haskins and Forbes.

On motion of Mr. Forbes,

Resolved, That the proceedings of this Convention be printed in the Journal of the next Annual Convention.

The minutes of the proceedings of the Convention were then read by the Secretary, and approved.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Collins,

Resolved, That after the usual devotional exercises, the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

When, after prayer and benediction by the President, the Convention adjourned.

JOSHUA ISHAM BLISS, D. D.,
President of Convention.

THOMAS H. CANFIELD, *Secretary.*
FRED E. SMITH, *Assistant Secretary.*

CONSECRATION.

BURLINGTON, February 2, 1894.

The services at the consecration of the Rt. Rev. Arthur Crawshay Alliston Hall, D. D., as third Bishop of the Diocese of Vermont, on the Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, were held in St. Paul's Church.

7:30 A. M. THE HOLY COMMUNION.

Celebrant, the Rev. Wm. H. Collins, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Brattleboro.

Epistoler, the Rev. Canon J. B. Davidson, of the Diocese of Montreal, Canada.

Gospeler, the Rev. Henry M. Tarberl, of St. Stephen's Church, Boston, Mass.

9:30 A. M. MORNING PRAYER.

Said by the Rev. Charles M. Miles, Rector of Trinity Church, Rutland, Vt.; and the Rev. Dr. Thomas Adams, Principal of Bishops' College, Lennoxville, P. Q.

11 A. M. THE CONSECRATION SERVICE.

The Consecrator, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Henry Adams Neely, Bishop of Maine, acting for the Presiding Bishop of the Church.

Co-Consecrator, the Rt. Rev. Dr. William Woodruff Niles, Bishop of New Hampshire; and the Rt. Rev. Dr. William Lawrence, Bishop of Massachusetts.

The Presenting Bishops, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Leighton Coleman, Bishop of Delaware; and the Rt. Rev. Dr. Charles C. Grafton, Bishop of Fond du Lac.

The Epistle was read by the Bishop of Fond du Lac; the Gospel by the Archbishop of Ontario (Dr. John T. Lewis); the sermon was preached by the Bishop of Delaware. All these Prelates joined in the Imposition of Hands.

The Presbyters in attendance on the Bishop-elect were the Rev. Dr. J. Isham Bliss, of the Diocese of Vermont, and the Rev. Dr. Lucius Waterman, of the Diocese of New Hampshire.

The Rev. George Y. Bliss acted as Bishop Neely's chaplain, and the Rev. William Farrar Weeks as Master of Ceremonies.

The Choir of St. Paul's Church, under the direction of Mr. Herbert E. Stockwell, Organist and Choir Master, assisted by Mr. S. B. Whitney, Organist of the Church of the Advent, Boston, Mass., rendered the music, which was the service of the Holy Communion by Calkin in G.

The offertory, which amounted to about $400, was increased by a special gift to the sum of $700, covering the amount of the deficiency in the missionary funds of the Diocese.

Mr. Fred. E. Smith of Montpelier, Assistant Secretary of the Convention, read the Certificate of Election by the Convention of the Diocese, and the canonical testimony of that body.

The Rev. Francis W. Smith, of Woodstock, read the consent of the Standing Committees, and the Bishop of Massachusetts the consent of the House of Bishops.

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting: Be it known unto you by these presents that we,

HENRY ADAMS NEELY, Bishop of Maine,
WILLIAM WOODRUFF NILES, Bishop of New Hampshire,
WILLIAM LAWRENCE, Bishop of Massachusetts,

assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did, on the Festival of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the second day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, in St. Paul's Church, Burlington, Vermont, in the presence of a Congregation of the Clergy and Laity, and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in conformity with the Canons thereof, Ordain and Consecrate our well-beloved in Christ, the Reverend

ARTHUR CRAWSHAY ALLISTON HALL, DOCTOR OF DIVINITY,

of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith, and purity of manners we were fully ascertained, into the Sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Bishop of Vermont.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Burlington, Vermont, on this second day of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four.

[L.S.] HENRY ADAMS NEELY,
Bishop of Maine.

[L.S.] WILLIAM WOODRUFF NILES,
Bishop of New Hampshire.

[L.S.] WILLIAM LAWRENCE,
Bishop of Massachusetts.

[L.S.] †CHARLES CHAPMAN GRAFTON, S. T. D.,
Bishop of Fond du Lac.

[L.S.] J. T. ONTARIO,
Metropolitan of Canada.

[L.S.] LEIGHTON COLEMAN,
Bishop of Delaware.

CONSECRATION SERMON,

BY

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Leighton Coleman, Bishop of Delaware.

"*Keep that which is committed to thy trust.*"—1 S. Timothy, vi:20.

We hear much now-a-days about Heredity and Environment. These have, it is claimed, largely to do, if not with the formation, at least with the exhibition of character. Doubtless, this is in many instances measurably true. We are what we are, not simply because we are; but partly because others were and are. Wordsworth's well-known line is still the sentiment of poet and philosopher alike:

"The Child is Father of the Man."

I shall not lay such stress upon it as to encourage anything like the fatalistic heresy. That were to dishonor the manfulness of man, and, the more, the omnipotence of GOD.

I begin my discourse to-day with its re-statement, inasmuch as I am addressing members of a Society whose very existence may be traced to the principle of Heridity, and who would be among the last to disavow their relation to Environment. Its history indeed is but the record of a succession of inheritances, reaching back in uninterrupted line to, aye, and even beyond, the very time when St. Paul wrote to his beloved son in the Gospel the words of my text. Its environment only serves the more to manifest the significance

of its trust, and to stimulate those who have received it to greater fidelity.

We have merely to look at these United States of America to see how great the trust is that has been committed to our own branch of this Society, which is none other than the Church of Christ. At the very beginning, this land was colonized for Him. This is easily proved by the language so uniformly found in the royal charters, which laid so unequivocally upon those who applied for them the duty of evangelizing the new world. The "advertisement," by which Sir Humphrey Gilbert's proposed expedition in 1583 was commended to the English people, mentioned as one of its chief objects, "the carriage of GOD's Word into those mighty and vast countries." The honour of GOD and compassion for poor infidels were also specified among the objects; "it seeming probable"—so runs the document—"that GOD hath reserved these Gentiles to be reduced into Christian civility by the English nation."

Like provision was made in the patent granted in 1584 to Sir Walter Raleigh, to which distinguished settler is due the honour of having made, by his donation of £100 for planting the Christian religion in what he denominated "those barbarous countries," what in all probability was the first direct pecuniary contribution for missionary work in America.

The charter granted by James I. to the Virginia colonists expressly stipulated that "all persons should kindly treat the savage and heathen people in those parts, and use all proper means to draw them to the true service and knowledge of God." Would that we had been in these later days less untrue to this part of our trust!

Upon his appointment as governor of this same colony, Lord De la Warr (after whom my own diocese is named),

accompanied by the council and adventurers, attended, in 1606, Divine service in the Temple Church, London. William Crashaw (father of the poet) was the preacher, and his sermon was full of the missionary spirit. He set before his hearers the duty and honour of founding the colony upon religious principles, and of having as the foremost purpose of the expedition their diligent propagation. Addressing its noble leader, he said: "Remember, thou art a general of Christian men. Therefore, principally look to Religion."

And, my dear brethren, this religion was not *any* sort of religion—some one kind chosen out of a number of religions. But it was that which was known to be the faith of the Church of England, that same faith which in all essential things you and I profess to-day, which, again, in all essential things we unhesitatingly believe to be the Catholic faith.

This fact is evident enough from the express lauguage employed in these royal charters over and over again. It was the same religion which even at an earlier date, namely, in 1579, was taught the savages on the Pacific coast by the chaplain of Sir Francis Drake, the Rev. Martin (or Francis) Fletcher, who would seem to have been the first clergyman to use the Book of Common Prayer within the territory now known as the United States. Four years later, Sir Humphrey Gilbert was charged to see that the laws of the new settlement should "not be against the true Christian faith or religion now professed in the Church of England."

In other charters to which I have already referred, and in like instruments which time will not allow me to specify, no less precise instructions were given as to the establishment of the Church of England. This is true even of the patent granted by Charles I. to Lord Baltimore, who, although a Roman Catholic, recognized, in accordance with the King's mandate, the Church of England as the only rightful eccles-

iastical authority. The Maryland Assembly of 1639 and of 1640 declared that "Holy Church within this province shall have her rights and liberties,"—a clause borrowed from the Magna Charta wrested from King and Pope.

I have given this necessarily condensed historical review for the purpose of proving how in an especial and, as I think, very responsible way, this Church of ours has had committed to her in trust the religious life of this whole nation. Many other facts could be adduced, showing in the large number of the older colonies the intimate relations that existed for a long while between Church and State.

As to the question of priority, there is not the slightest room for doubt. Years before any other religion was known and recognized in these Colonies, even including New England, the Church of England's services were held, and in places regularly maintained.

It is quite true—and the fact has a significance which all the more bears me out in my argument—that for two whole centuries the Church was only in name, and yet in wonderful loyalty, Episcopal. Her preservation without the Episcopate throughout so long and so critical a period, and her preservation from both schism and heresy, deserves, in my humble judgment, to rank amongst the most remarkable overrulings of Divine Providence in the ecclesiastical history of any age.

Both her clergy and laity were fully conscious of this great deficiency, and of the many disadvantages which it entailed upon her. There is abundant proof in her early history of their deep and constant concern on this account. And much sympathy was felt for them by members of the Church at home. It needed not that any should argue with them as to the utter inadequacy of the provision by which so distant and vast a territory was put under the charge of the Bishop

of London. Strange, indeed, it seems to us that this anomalous condition should have continued so long. And mainly out of political complications. But in the Providence of GOD it served to deepen the convictions of those who chiefly suffered, as to the absolute necessity of the Episcopate.

We hear at times a good deal of discussion as to whether this gift to the Church be necessary only to her well-being, or to her very existence. Without the slightest purpose of entering, on an occasion most unseemly, into the consideration of controversial topics, I cannot forbear saying that the attitude of the American Church throughout the whole of the period under review admits of no manner of doubt. It was clearly one that belongs to those who range themselves on the side of *Esse*, rather than of those who are on the side of *Bene esse*.

Temptations there were to resort to irregular means whereby the growing need of a ministry could be better supplied than by the perilous, tedious, and expensive voyage to England; and whereby, further, there could be secured for the Church scores of young men who, for lack of bishops, were constantly offering themselves to religious bodies which had but secondary places in their affections. Even Dr. William White (afterwards Bishop of Pennsylvania) was so discouraged at the prospect of receiving proper aid in this respect, that he suggested in an elaborate treatise a temporary arrangement, through which, as he thought, some relief might be afforded. His views, although coming from one whose loyalty to the Church had never been called into question, and whose personal character was justly held in such high esteem, were stoutly combatted, among others by the clergy of Connecticut, who shortly afterwards with consummate bravery and faith elected Samuel Seabury to be their bishop.

It is to be noted as confirmatory of what I have already said as to the general opinion of these early churchmen concerning the *essential* character of the Episcopate, that Dr. White more than once in his "Case"—the publication to which I have referred—acknowledged the duty of obtaining as soon as possible "the Episcopal succession," declaring in regard to Episcopacy that "it should be sustained as the government of the Church from the time of the Apostles." It was not long before the suggestions which he had made for temporarily meeting the emergency were withdrawn by the author himself.

Any view of the Episcopate likely to disparage its vital importance to the Church in America would seem to be a betrayal of one of the most significant portions of the trust committed to us by our sturdy ancestors. Our policy, so far as this is concerned, may be considered as having been determined at the very outset of our ecclesiastical career.

Our very presence to-day for the special purpose that brings us from our various homes is fresh proof that fidelity to this underlying principle, which, as we have seen, has uniformly characterized the churchmen of this Western Hemisphere, and which we are carefully and unequivocally to impress upon our own generation.

Reference has already been made to the priority which attaches in point of time and authority to the services held in America by our own branch of the Catholic Church. I allude to it again, in connection especially with what I have been saying as to the estimate in which Episcopacy was held, to state another fact, which, to my own mind, affords a very considerable ground for confidence and encouragement in maintaining our ecclesiastical heritage and trust.

We have seen that, largely owing to political considerations, we were without the Episcopate for quite two hundred

years, although many a time on the very verge of receiving it. Now, during the whole of this period, the Roman Church was free from such embarrassments. She could at any time have sent her bishops here. Is it not most surprising that she did not embrace such an inviting opportunity? And all the more so, because of Pope Alexander VI. having granted to the united kingdom of Castile and Aragon the proprietorship of the entire Western Hemisphere? Indeed, it may be safely inferred that much of the energy and perseverance which characterized the early attempts to colonize North America, to some of which I have already alluded, arose from the desire of the English court—and, one may say, the English Church—to circumvent similar designs formed by the Spanish court, and, one again may say, the Roman Church.*

We might interest ourselves very much in surmising what the character of our part of the world would have been had Columbus, resisting the counsel of Pinzon, sailed westward according to his own original plan. In all probability, it would have received its religious bias from a Roman Catholic population. It would seem to many—I hope I may not appear to be uncharitable in saying so—a merciful intervention of Providence that its character should have been chiefly determined by the adherents of the Anglican Church. This is all the more evident when we consider that, although the United States were colonized a century later than Spanish America, and had then a less fertile territory, with no known gold and silver deposits, they yet have far outstripped that portion of the continent in every element of greatness and prosperity. The same providential arrangement may, I think, be traced at a much later period of American history, when in 1803 Louisiana was purchased from France, and in

*See the "Genesis of the United States" by Alexander Brown.

1819 Florida was ceded by Spain; both of these foreign countries being at the time largely under the influence of the Roman Church.

Whatever may have been her reasons for not sending bishops here at an earlier period, and whatever might have been the condition of this country had she done so, the fact remains that it was not until the year 1790 that the first Roman bishop (as to the validity of whose consecration there are grave doubts*) arrived in this country, and that, prior to his coming, we had no less than three validly consecrated bishops at work.

Thus a ready answer is furnished to all questions concerning Ecclesiastical Intrusion and as to the origin of schism, so far as our country is concerned. And, further, a deeper sense of responsibility is begotten within us as to the trust so providentially committed to our charge; a trust which, as already intimated, has to do with the moulding of the spiritual life of this whole nation.

Such a claim may provoke a smile upon the countenances of those who belong to other religious societies which at present outnumber us as to professed or supposed adherents. But this disparity of numbers does not in any way derogate from the character of the trust, nor from our responsibilities concerning it.

From what has already been said, and from other circumstances to which I have not time to allude, it may easily be understood why our numerical strength is not greater to-day. Yet when one takes note of our growth in this respect during the past few years and now going on, one cannot but be most hopeful as to the future, and also be most thankful that in increasing proportions the Church is being enlarged from

*See Palmer on the Church.

among those of every other religious organization, who recognize her as having received for them and for all the inhabitants of the land a sacred deposit, whose value becomes more and more apparent year by year.

We are still in the formative period of our national character. Great countries are not made in a single century. We are young enough to be swerved in any direction by strong and persistent influences. And no one who has any vision at all can fail to see that such influences are now at work, seeking to give perpetual mold to our institutions and manners—some in this direction, and some in that.

Into this moulding process, we ourselves have entered, after a manner and to no mean degree—to a degree, indeed, so far beyond our merely numerical proportion, as to warrant a belief in some sort of a national consciousness of our having received a trust of no ordinary kind. But I very much fear that many of us do not appreciate its real magnitude and import, especially in view of the heterogeneous elements of which the Republic is composed. If so, would there be found any room for dissensions amougst us? Would there be any such exhibitions of cowardice and disloyalty as come from the invasion of worldliness? Or of the parsimony and covetousness which so sadly embarrass the Church in her aggressive work?

We call ourselves a branch of the One Apostolic Church. And, beyond all preadventure, we are, by outward marks; with some by other marks as well. But there are those who are seeking, although it may be quite unconsciously to themselves, to infuse into the Christianity for which she stands the very spirit of Paganism. I well know the seriousness of the charge, and I have weighed my words in making it.

May I venture upon some slight proof of its accuracy,

that I may show how, in some respects at least, these are not keeping that which has been committed to their trust?

Among the Romans, especially at the time of Augustus Cæsar, there was a widely prevalent conviction that a crisis was near, when the worn-out world should be renovated. If Pythagoras and Plato did not so express themselves, certainly their disciples did. And among others, especially the poor and despised, there were vague and ill-defined hopes that made them comparatively easy converts to the new faith that came by the Incarnate Son of God.

Now, among the attractions which these Pagans recognized in Christianity was the claim which it made as to Sovereignty. It was the one only Religion which men were to believe. It was not simply one out of a number; any one of which might be safely and profitably embraced. But it was absolutely supreme, and therefore could not compromise with nor even tolerate, any other religion. To those who had been varying their beliefs according to their own will—now disciples of this, and now of that—and finding in none such rest and certainty as their better selves were ever desiring, the advent of a system of morals which assumed authority over all mankind and for all times brought such confidence and helpfulness as had been lacking in the various and conflicting codes hitherto claiming their allegiance.

They wanted something definite and unchanging, even though in some respects it might require a sacrifice of themselves such as they had not habitually, if even occasionally, made: recognizing the truthfulness of a saying attributed by Apuleius (a Roman writer living near to the beginning of the Christian era) to a priest of Isis: "It is only when thou "shalt be the slave of the goddess, that thou wilt begin to "experience what perfect freedom is."

But what do we see now among some who call themselves Christians? A more than readiness to account their religion as but little, if anything, else than one among the many; and Christ its Divine founder as one only among the founders of other religions. I do not know but that they would even go as far as the Emperor Alexander Severus, and place the image of Christ by the side of Orpheus and Apollonius.

Only lately, in the so-called Parliament of Religions, a well-directed effort was made—if reports of its proceedings which I have read are correct—to show the representatives of oriental religions that there was but little difference between themselves and what is termed "liberal" Christianity. And not without success—if again published reports of more recent date are accurate. From one of these, it would appear that a priest from India has, since his return thither, given it as his conclusion that the Parliament was called because the Western nations had come to realize the weakness of Christianity, and really wished to hear from him and others of their religion, and so to make up their minds as to which religion after all was the best. He went on to say that in his opinion there is no better place than America in which to propagate Buddhism. And some of you may know of an already well-established attempt, with its headquarters immediately opposite our General Theological Seminary, to convert this nation to Mohammedanism.

These schemes may appear to some as only ridiculous. But a generation ago they would have been laughed at a great deal more, and the possibility even of their existence denied. Then, ignorance of and disdain for any other religion except Christianity would have been not only excused, but even commended. Now, it is a sin against Culture. Now, when remonstrance is made against such so-called comprehensive-

ness, and even when in our own ecclesiastical circles exception is taken to inviting known opponents to advocate what we hold to be erroneous, those who protest are chided for their narrow-mindedness and for their lack of confidence in their avowed principles. Comprehensiveness is one thing. Compromise is quite another.

If, my brethren, it be narrow-mindedness not to know Buddha, and Confucius, and Mahomet, because of spending one's time in learning the more of Christ, Whom to know is everlasting life, and Whom not to know when we may know Him is everlasting death; if it be bigotry to claim for Him supreme and undivided sovereignty in the soul Who is the one only Lord and Saviour of all mankind; if it be proof of one's want of culture to leave unstudied the Koran and all similar literature, because of preferring to study the more that precious Bible, which is "a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my paths"—then call me narrow-minded, and bigoted and uncultured until your hearts be content. But never, never will I, GOD helping me, so far betray the trust committed to me as to lower Christ and His Religion to the plane of those who practically adopt the language which Tennyson puts into the mouths of such:

"All very well, but the good Lord Jesus has had His day."

Rather than degrade Him to the meaner level of the spirit of the age, we would raise that spirit to the nobler ideal that is found in Him Who is perfect GOD and perfect man; Who is so comprehensive, both in Himself and in His revelation of Himself in the one faith once delivered, as to be "*all in all.*"

It has been predicted lately by a clever writer that the worship of the future will be the worship of the State. This is something apart from, if not antagonistic to, GOD, Whom

he undertakes with audacity—less irreverent indeed than that of the French revolutionists—to abolish by a resolution of his own devising.

There may come—would that it seemed nigher at hand!—a day when the State shall deserve and win more of the people's homage than it now receives. But it will only be when its affairs are conducted with greater honesty and equity, when wiser men and better men are compelled into office, when the *vox populi* seeks only to echo the *vox Dei* throughout every ward and precinct. Then men will recognize a truth that many do not now seem to recognize; namely, that whatever in the State challenges our admiration because of its justice, and wisdom, and power, is there because GOD is there. For GOD, and GOD alone—the GOD of our fathers, Who is to be our GOD for ever and ever—GOD *is* justice, and wisdom, and power.

This truth is, surely, a most essential part of that trust committed to us, and in impressing it upon our generation we are but exemplifying one of the great reasons why our Revolution was allowed to succeed—a Revolution, it ought to be especially remembered in this connection, to whose inauguration and success Churchmen were overwhelmingly the chief contributors. The witness of two powerful and independent nations tells more than that of only one. And so by the very joy with which we contemplate the heroic acts of our ancestors we stand pledged to a loyal support of those religious principles which entered so conspicuously into their undertakings, and whose wider and surer propagation is so evidently related to their first success. Theirs was a truly noble striving, when viewed especially in this spiritual light. But ours may well be deemed a nobler one. I speak of our striving, too, for we should not be content to receive an inheritance without ourselves contributing to the Republic's weal.

"Honours best thrive
When rather from our acts we them derive
Than our foregoer."

Some of this may sound too dogmatic to a portion of my hearers, who may be inclined to say that this age needs less Dogma and more religion. This appears to me to be a very contradiction of terms ; at least, if by the term Religion they mean—as I mean—Christianity, which in its early days was, with Judaism, excluded from an otherwise universal toleration of the religions of the world by Paganism, because of its refusal to make concessions. Thus it was that in a former part of my discourse I alleged that restiveness under dogma was practically an attempt to pervert Christianity to Paganism. As a rule, the more one decries Dogma, the more one needs it. I could tell you of three brothers who were brought up in this very part of the country without it; of whom one was drawn to this Church because of its authoritative teaching, another has given up all belief, and the third believes what he likes, according to the definition of heretick as found in the oldest dictionary of our language, namely : "He which maketh choice of himself what poynts of Religion he will believe and what hee (*sic*) will not."

Such picking and choosing are foreign to the spirit of those Holy Scriptures which from a child St. Timothy had known, and which went to form a very large part of the trust committed to him. Their dogmatic teaching, their "Thou shalt" and "Thou shalt not" is offensive to many who would lessen in our minds a sense of their Divine authority by ranking them simply with other writings, which they speciously acknowledge to be also inspired.

If it be old-fashioned to believe that these sacred Testaments are by the hands of men who, especially chosen of GOD, were inspired by Him as no other men ever were, to

speak as His very oracles, whether they understood or not what they saw and foresaw; that their inspiration differed from that of others not in degree only, but also and absolutely in kind; and that *the* Bible is not to be subjected to the same methods of criticism as are applied to other bibles or books, but to be handled with a reverence and reserve which do not belong to them, then for one I am content and thankful to be accounted "behind the times." *

What this age wants is not so much Higher Criticism as Higher Living: not so much Scholarship as Godliness. There is no necessary conflict between the two: nay, they can and do co-exist in most veritable harmony. Of this, we are constantly having many proofs, some of which have been furnished by the very Society that relinquishes one of its members to-day.† None, I venture to say, will be presented to this generation excelling that which has lately been afforded us in the masterful biography ‡ of one whose name, oftimes abused, will ever remain in the highest rolls of Anglican, nay, of Catholic saints. Indeed, as one admires in him the extraordinary combination of holiness and learning, one cannot divorce them so as to give pre-eminence to either.

But there is danger lest, in our intellectual strivings after truth, we may forget, in handling that precious volume, that we are to compare spiritual things with spiritual. And this view of the Holy Scriptures as a portion of the trust committed to our charge—being, let us remember, one of the

* As an illustration of the really awful lengths to which some writers are going, the following extract is made from a recent work by H. C. Hiller, entitled, *Against Dogma and Free Will and for Weismannism:* "The gist of the New Testament is a record of fragmentary sayings by Christ, which it is now the province of nineteenth century reason to sift from the worthless sensualities of His reporters."

† The Society of St. John the Evangelist.

‡ The Life of the Rev. Dr. Pusey, by the Rev. Dr. Liddon.

very things specified by the colonial charters as among the gifts to be brought to these shores—is all the more important to maintain steadfastly when there is such constant and plausible teaching as to what constitutes the nineteenth century's religion: as tho' each century were to have a religion of its own. This is said to be simply: The Fatherhood of GOD, and the Brotherhood of Man. But, dear brethren, St. Timothy was taught more than that. St. Paul declared to him that the Holy Scriptures which he had known from infancy—being then, of course, only those of the Old Testament—were able to make him wise unto salvation "through faith that is in Christ Jesus;" in Him "Who was this day presented in the temple in substance of our flesh."

A new article had been added to the world's religion; the Sonship of the Incarnate Jesus. This was the missing link whereby the others were to become endued with a strength which they had never possessed before. Without this intervening truth, the others were indeed; but were well nigh unintelligible. For how are we to comprehend the Fatherhood of GOD, except as we know it, by the Spirit of GOD, through the incarnation of His only begotten Son? And how are we to comprehend the Brotherhood of Man, except as through this our elder Brother we are made one with Him, and so one with every other man? We have been especially reminded to-day that we are all one by faith in Him.* Therefore in this triangle of truths, essentially and inseparably joined together as they are, we have that harmonious exhibit of religion which comprises in brief the sacred deposit of which we are not so much proprietors, as trustees, charged with its transmission in unimpaired integrity from age to age, until He Who thus honours us in His condescending love shall come to claim His own with usury.

*Galatians v. 26: from the Second Lesson at Morning Prayer.

It is, my dear brother, because you have been deemed trustworthy that you are about to be made a bishop in the Church of GOD. If bishops cannot be trusted, who can be? *Quis custodiet ipsos, custodes?*

I have endeavored as best I could to set forth somewhat the especially solemn and yet privileged character of the trust committed to the Church in America. There is no need that I should further emphasize it in these words of personal address: for that which I have spoken, it may be as in platitudes, you have thought out and experienced in loftier degree.

It is no novice that we shall set apart for the truly grandest work which man can undertake. The extent and variety of your labours have taught you well what it is to be a shepherd of souls. Trained under the best of instructors, you brought us at the outset a capacity for usefulness which was speedily and gratefully recognized in many a diocese, and many a soul. And now you have come back to us, after having been in touch, through not a few busy months, with the Church at home, more than ever fitted to be an endearing link between the venerated mother and daughter as loyal as any she has ever borne. We receive you as you were commended to us when, speaking by the mouth of one of Oxford's most honored dignitaries,* your ancient University lately bestowed upon you the well-earned degree, *honoris causa*, and gracefully restored us a son of hers indeed, and yet one of our own citizens, to whose salutary influence she would set no narrow bounds.

You come to a diocese that was organized more than a century ago, and early moved to supply the great need of

*The Venerable Edwin Palmer, D. D., Archdeacon of Oxford, who presented Dr. Hall for his degree in the absence, through illness, of the Rev. Cannon Ince, D. D., Regius Professor of Divinity.

the Episcopate, although, owing to various circumstances, it was not until 1832 that this gift was obtained. The history of the life and labours of the first Bishop, John Henry Hopkins—so inimitably told by his son, himself a man of rare and devoted genius—belongs to the whole American Church, which so largely and so widely benefited by his remarkable gifts and acquirements. The memory of the gentle, diligent, and unobtrusive Bissell is still fresh, and will never lose its sweetness.

Thus you will enter upon a field that has been faithfully cultivated, that is, I believe, one of great promise, and where, I am sure, you will find ready and well-furnished fellow-laborers in your efforts to maintain—as you can do the more easily by reason of the admirable diocesan schools near by—that Christianity which is really the common law of our land, and to extend the influence of that Church which is so evidently designed by Providence to be the chief means of restoring here organic Christian Unity.

Not that in seeking this unity you will be intolerant of variety; but that the underlying fixed principles of our holy faith will be so regarded as that unity shall not be wholly dissipated into variety.

We are all well persuaded of the loving spirit in which you will administer the affairs of a diocese, where we bespeak for you in return the love and confidence of all who know how heavy the burden is that is always lying on a bishop's heart; a burden so heavy, indeed, that were it not for the greater love of the greater Bishop no true priest would ever dare assume it.

Vermont, like Delaware, is a small diocese. But, my brother, when the day of judgment comes, you and I will

realize, perhaps, that they were large enough for the account we shall then together render.

By a happy coincidence, you will be presented here on the day when at the first Christ Himself was presented in a temple also made with hands. The Incarnate Son was offered to GOD. And now He comes to you, and asks a like offering at your hands, that He may make you in turn as a candle of the LORD, to lighten the many still sitting in the darkness of sin.

He will present Himself to you to-day, through His Church, and by His Holy Spirit, in the great commission: "Feed My Lambs. Feed My Sheep." May the same Holy Ghost, dwelling in you, enable you to keep the good things thus entrusted to you, delivering you from all evil, and preserving you unto His Heavenly Kingdom! And may the favour of the King overflow to the salvation of the souls committed to your charge! I pause a moment in these prayers, and I hear Him say to you, and me, and all: "Follow Me." And as one delays—so great is the call, and such our weakness—I hear Him say again: "My grace is sufficient for thee." Amen! Dear LORD; So let it be!

DIOCESE OF VERMONT.

ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

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ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, ST. ALBANS,
Wednesday, June 6, 1894.

This being the time and place appointed for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Vermont, several of the Clergy and Laity met at 8:30 A. M.

The proceedings of the Convention were begun by Morning Prayer, said by the Rev. Lucius M. Hardy of Burlington, the Lessons being read by the Rev. James C. Flanders, Rector of Zion Church, Manchester Center.

The Prayers being concluded, the Convention, at 9 o'clock A. M., was called to order by the Bishop, President *ex-officio*, Thomas H. Canfield, of Burlington, Secretary.

The names of the Clergy of the Diocese entitled to seats and votes in the Convention, approved by the Bishop, were then called by the Secretary.

Those with * after their name, were not present at Convention.

The Rev. JOHN ANKETELL,
" " FRANK APPLETON,
" " BENJAMIN W. ATWELL,
" " THOMAS BELL,
" " JOSHUA ISHAM BLISS, D. D.,
" " GEORGE Y. BLISS,
" " FOREST H. BLUNT,
" " SIMON B. BLUNT,
" " ALLEN D. BROWN,
" " ALONZO T. BROWN,
" " JAMES C. CARNAHAN,
" " WILLIAM H. COLLINS,
" " ALONZO B. FLANDERS, D. D.,
" " JAMES C. FLANDERS,
" " EDWARD N. GODDARD,
" " GEMONT GRAVES,
" " SAMUEL E. HANGER,
The Rev. LUCIUS M. HARDY.
" " GEORGE B. JOHNSON,
" " EDWARD P. LEE,
" " ALONZO N. LEWIS,
" " CHARLES M. NILES,
" " THOMAS S. OCKFORD,
" " EDWARD H. RANDALL,
" " GEORGE L. RICHARDSON,
" " DAVID L. SANFORD,
" " EDMUND B. SMITH,
" " FRANCIS W. SMITH,
" " MOSES P. STICKNEY,*
" " EDWARD S. STONE,*
" " WILLIAM F. WEEKS,
" " GEORGE A. WILKINS,*
" " HOMER WHITE, S. T. D.*

The President appointed the Rev. Messrs. Niles and George Y. Bliss as a Committee to report upon the credentials of Lay Delegates.

The list of Parishes in union with the Convention, and of organized Missions, was then called by the Secretary, when the Lay Delegates from the same presented their credentials.

The Committee, after examining the credentials, reported that the following Parishes, entitled to representation in the Convention, had duly elected as their Lay Delegates the undermentioned persons :

St. James' Church, Arlington	Jesse Burdett, Martin H. Deming,* Edward C. Woodworth, J. Rollin Judson,*
Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls	James H. Williams, George H. Babbitt, John W. Flint,* Zina Allbee.
St. Peter's Church, Bennington	Luman P. Norton, Walter G. Richardson,* Lyman F. Abbott, John H. Norton.*
Calvary Church, Berkshire	Charles H. Stratton, Edward D. Smith.*
Christ Church, Bethel	Simeon H. Chase, Guy Wilson.*

St. Thomas' Church, Brandon	George Briggs, Ebenezer J. Ormsbee, John P. Reed.*
St. Michael's Church, Brattleboro	Kittredge Haskins, Fred W. Childs, Arthur W. Childs.*
St. Paul's Church, Burlington	LeGrand B. Cannon,* John A. Arthur, Daniel W. Robinson, Fred C. Kennedy, Henry H. Ross, Henry Wells.
St. Luke's Church, Chester	Albert A. Stevens,* Charles M. Webb.*
Christ Church, Enosburgh	Caleb R. Brewer,
St. Matthew's Church, Enosburgh Falls	William R. Hutchinson, Henry A. Cramton, Joseph H. Mears.
Christ Church, Fairfax	Douglass Buck.*
Christ Church, Guilford	William H. Jacobs.*
St. John's Church, Highgate	Noah Parker Leach.
St. James' Church, Hydeville	Walter Metcalf.*
Christ Church, Island Pond	William H. Bishop, John Reeve.
Calvary Church, Jericho	Ira Hawley.*
Zion Church, Manchester Center	Edmond L. Wyman, Charles W. Way.* Charles B. Rowe.*
St. Stephen's Church, Middlebury	P. Fletcher Chapman,* Noble S. Dewey, John Fisher.
Union Church, Montgomery	Joel Goodspeed.
Christ Church, Montpelier	Charles Dewey, Fred E. Smith, Louis P. Gleason, William H. Cowell.
St. Mary's Church, Northfield	George Nichols,* Joseph K. Egerton.
St. John's Church, Poultney	Arthur E. Horton, E. A. Burnett,* S. B. Woodworth.*
Grace Church, Randolph	Henry F. Gilbert.
St. John's Church, West Randolph	James H. Gabrille, Joel P. Putnam.*
St. Paul's Church, Royalton	Dudley C. Denison.*
Trinity Church, Rutland	George R. Bottum, Chas. E. Ross, Edward L. Temple, John N. Woodfin,* George T. Chaffee,* Charles Krans.
Grace Church, West Rutland	William W. Felt. William W. Wheeler.*
Grace Church, Sheldon	Charles H. Whittemore.*
Trinity Church, Shelburne	W. Seward Webb,* Walter A. Weed,

St. Luke's Church, St. Albans	Myron W. Bailey, John W. Hobart, John C. Stranahan, Hanson E. Lewis, Charles S. Forbes, L. A. Emerson.
St. Andrew's Church, St. Johnsbury	E. F. Griswold,* D. D. Patterson,* Elisha May,* Wm. S. Boyton.*
Holy Trinity Church, Swanton	Henry A. Burt.
St. Paul's Church, Vergennes	Charles E. Parker, Henry T. Booth,* Elliot W. Shipman,* Spencer W. Hindes.
St. Paul's Church, Wells	Oliver R. Hopson.*
St. Paul's Church, Windsor	Henry D. Stone, Edward Brown, Edward Wardner.
St. James Church, Woodstock	James B. Jones, Charles F. Chapman.

Those with * after their name were not present at Convention.

The Committee on Credentials reported that the following persons had been elected Delegates to represent organized Missions:

St. Barnabas', East Middlebury,	Robert H. Bell.
St. Ann's, Richford,	J. F. Hamilton.
St. Luke's, Fair Haven,	Edward Snell.*
Good Shepherd, Barre,	Wm. D. Reed.*

Those with * after their names were not present at Convention.

The roll of Lay Delegates from Parishes and from Missions was then called by the Secretary, when a quorum of Laity as well as Clergy, according to the Canons, was found to be present. The President announced that the Convention was duly organized.

The Bishop then proceeded to the administration of the Holy Communion, the Epistle being read by the Rev. Dr. Flanders, Rector of St. Luke's Church, St. Albans, and the Gospel by the Rev. Dr. Bliss, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Burlington.

The sermon was preached by the Rev. Alonzo N. Lewis, Rector of Christ Church, Montpelier, from Deuteronomy, I: 8, "Go in and possess the land."

The service being concluded, the Convention resumed business.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Hardy,

Resolved, That all Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not canonically entitled to seats in this Convention, all Clergymen of the Church of England, all Candidates for Holy Orders, the Treasurer of the Board of Land Agents, Members of the Standing Committee, the Trustees of the Diocese and Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, here present, be and hereby are invited to seats in the Convention.

The Rev. Wm. J. Harris, D. D., of the Diocese of Massachusetts, Diocesan Missionary; the Rev. George J. Sutherland, Priest in charge of St. Mary's Church, Northfield; Rev. Charles S. Hale, of the Diocese of New Hampshire; Rev. Frank W. Bartlett, of the Diocese of Massachusetts, Mr. William Cyprian Hopkins, Jr., Mr. Frederick Barnaby Leach, and Mr. Walter Harriman Cambridge, Candidates for Holy Orders; Edson P. Gilson, Treasurer of Trustees of the Diocese; Wm. T. Dewey, Treasurer of the Board of Land Agents, appeared and took seats in the Convention in accordance with the resolution.

The Convention proceeded to ballot for Secretary, the Rev. Mr. Appleton and Mr. J. H. Hamilton being appointed Tellers. Upon canvassing the votes, Mr. Thomas H. Canfield of Burlington, was found to have received a majority of all the votes cast, and was declared to be elected Secretary of the Convention.

The Secretary announced that he appointed Mr. Fred E. Smith of Montpelier, Assistant Secretary.

The President then announced the following

STANDING COMMITTEES OF CONVENTION.

On New Parishes—The Rev. Mr. Atwell, and Messrs. Burt and Forbes.

On Finance—Messrs. Burdett, Egerton and Hobart.

On Education—The Rev. Messrs. E. B. Smith, David L. Sanford and George L. Richardson, and Messrs. James H. Williams and Elias Lyman.

On Parochial Reports—The Rev. Messrs. Johnson and George Y. Bliss.

On Miscellaneous Business—Rev. Mr. Collins, and Messrs. Ross of Rutland and Leach.

On Canons—The Rev. Francis W. Smith, the Rev. Dr. Bliss, Rev. Mr. Goddard, and Messrs. Briggs and Haskins.

On the Episcopal Fund—Messrs. Cannon, Jones and F. W. Childs.

On motion of Mr. Briggs,

Resolved, That the Convention proceed to elect a Trustee of the Diocese of Vermont, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term for which Elijah D. Blodgett was elected.

Mr. Briggs nominated Mr. Elijah D. Blodgett, and no other name being presented, the Secretary was authorized by the Convention to cast its vote for Mr. Blodgett, and he was declared to be elected to serve for seven years.

The Registrar of the Diocese, the Rev. F. W. Smith, reported verbally to the Convention that he had a large quantity of valuable papers and documents, and had no suitable place to keep them, and suggested to the Convention the necessity of making some provision for a place where the same could be preserved more safely.

The Treasurer of the Diocese, Mr. Temple, made his report, which was accepted, and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Journal. [C.]

The Trustees of the fund for the support of the Bishop of the Diocese of Vermont, through their Treasurer, Harry L. Ward, presented their report, which was read, accepted and ordered to be printed in the Appendix. [D.]

The Standing Committee, through Rev. Dr. Flanders, Secretary, submitted its report, which was read, accepted and ordered to be printed in the Appendix. [E.]

The reports of Mr. Chapman, Treasurer of the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Aged and Infirm Clergymen, and also of the Alonzo Jackman Fund for the widows and orphans of deceased Clergymen, were presented and read.

They were accepted and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Journal. [F. and G.]

The Rev. Mr. Goddard submitted the following amendments to the Canons, which were approved and referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, That the following proposed amendment of a Canon be approved by the Convention, and that the question of its confirmation be a special order for to-morrow, immediately after the reading of the Journal.

Amend Title I, Canon 1, Sec. 2 (p. 10, Ed. of 1893), as follows:

Strike out the first six lines of the section and substitute the following:

"Every clergyman canonically resident in the Diocese shall be a member of the Convention, but shall not vote at the election of a Bishop, unless he has been so resident at least one year."

Resolved, That the following amendment of a Canon be approved by the Convention and that the question of its confirmation be made a special order to-morrow immediately after the consideration of a proposed alteration of Title I, Canon 1, Sec. 2.

In Title II, Canon 4 (p. 19, Ed. of 1893), strike out the last three lines, and substitute the following:

"A clergyman becomes resident of this Diocese, for the purposes of these Canons, on Ordination by the Bishop thereof, or on the acceptance of his Letters Dimissory, and such residence terminates only on notice received that Letters Dimissory from this Diocese have been elsewhere accepted."

[Compare Digest of General Canons 1892, Title I, Can. 18, §7 [2].

The Rev. Mr. Lewis submitted the following amendment to the Canons:

Insert in Sec. 3, of Canon 1, Title III, after "the Bishop"—"The Diocesan Missionary, if such an officer be appointed

by the Bishop," so that the section will read, "The Bishop, the Diocesan Missionary, as members *ex-officio*." The amendment was approved and referred to the Committee on Canons.

The President laid before the Convention the following communication from the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, giving notice of proposed alterations of the Constitution of the Church :

To the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese of Vermont :

RIGHT REVEREND SIR :

In compliance with the requirements of Title III, Canon 1, Section 3, of the Digest, I would hereby give particular notice that the following alterations of the Constitution of the Church are proposed : to wit, those comprised in the two resolutions subjoined, said resolutions having been constitutionally adopted by a General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, held in the city of Baltimore, Maryland, in October, A. D. 1892, to wit :

First—It was by concurrent action of the two Houses of the Convention (*vide* Journal pages 338, 118)

Resolved, That Article 8 of the Constitution be amended by striking out the clause "No alteration, etc.," and in inserting in lieu thereof the following : "No alteration or addition shall be made in the Book of Common Prayer or other Offices of the Church, or the Articles of Religion, unless the same shall be first proposed in one General Convention, by the vote of a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, and by the vote of a majority of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, and by a resolve of the General Convention made known to the Convention of every Diocese, and adopted at the subsequent General Convention in the same manner in which it was proposed,"

so that the Article as thus amended shall read as follows :

ARTICLE 8.

A Book of Common Prayer, Administration of the Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, Articles

of Religion, and a Form and Manner of Making, Ordaining and Consecrating Bishops, Priests and Deacons, when established by this or a future General Convention, shall be used in the Protestant Episcopal Church in those Dioceses which shall have adopted this Constitution. No alteration or addition shall be made in the Book of Common Prayer or other Offices of the Church, or the Articles of Religion, unless the same shall be first proposed in one General Convention, by the vote of a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, and by the vote of a majority of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, and by a resolve of the General Convention made known to the Convention of every Diocese, and adopted at the subsequent General Convention in the same manner in which it was proposed; *Provided, however*, that the General Convention shall have power from time to time to amend the Lectionary; but no act for this purpose shall be valid, which is not voted for by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops and by a majority of all the Dioceses entited to representation in the House of Deputies.

Second—It was by concurrent action of the two Houses of the Convention (*vide* Journal pages 394, 395, 152)

Resolved, That the following changes be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed changes be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions in order that they may be adopted in the ensuing General Convention, in accordance with provisions of Article 9 of the Constituton:

Strike out the words "Assistant Bishop" wherever they occur, and insert in their place the words "Bishop Coadjutor."

In testimony whereof, I have this day hereunto affixed my name.

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS,

Secretary of the House of Deputies.

Concord, Mass., Feb. 14, A. D. 1894.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Bliss, the Rev. Francis W. Smith was elected Registrar of the Convention.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of a clergyman and layman to the Missionary Council to be held in Hartford in October. The Rev. Wm. H. Collins, of Brattleboro, on motion of Mr. Temple, and Mr. John A. Arthur of Burlington, on motion of Mr. Wells, were unanimously elected.

The Convention proceeded to the election of Treasurer. Mr. Edward L. Temple, of Rutland, being the only name presented, the Secretary by vote of Convention was authorized to cast the vote for Mr. Temple, and he was declared to be unanimously elected.

The following Committees, appointed at the last Convention, viz :

On Education,

On Sunday School Work,

On General Prayer Book Distribution,

severally made brief verbal reports through their chairmen, and were discharged from further consideration of their respective subjects.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Bliss, the Convention adjourned to 2:30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, June 6, 2:30 P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop then delivered his annual

ADDRESS.

My Brethren of the Clergy and of the Laity:

I have but a short period, only four months, of ministry and oversight amongst you to review in this my first Convention Address. Before I give such statistics concerning the Diocese and such an account of ministrations and of Episcopal acts as the Canon requires, and then venture on a few suggestions concerning our common work and interests which have already been borne in on my own mind, you will allow me once again, in our formal gathering, to express my deep sense of the kindness and generosity with which I have been received and welcomed in all parts of the diocese, both by the clergy and by the laity. I can only hope and pray that as time goes on I may prove myself worthy of your lasting confidence, and that the intercourse which has been so happily begun may ripen more and more into real friendship, such as bound together your former Chief Pastors and their flock. May I have wisdom and grace to carry on and develop the work which they began, and to which each in his own way contributed so much.

No reasonable person will imagine that development involves identity of method. The same principles under different circumstances and at different times will be manifested in varying forms, and each man, be he Bishop or Priest, must seek to be his best self, not a poor reproduction of some predecessor, and to use his gifts, whatever they may be, for the upbuilding of the work which is entrusted to him for a time.

Since my consecration, on the Feast of the Purification, I have visited nearly all the parishes and mission stations in the diocese,—all except those in the North East corner of the State, and some of the small congregations under the care of Mr. Graves. I have been anxious to get in touch at once with all parts of the diocese; and to meet the Convention with an intelligent grasp of our position, needs and opportunities; so that if I could not as yet offer much valuable advice, I might at least be able to appreciate suggestions made by others as we take counsel together.

Several places, I have already visited more than once. The plan which I adopted in Lent of preaching courses of sermons in some of our larger churches, at Burlington, Montpelier, St. Albans, and Rutland, proved eminently successful. I was able to do something of the same kind at Brattleboro with special services and sermons during the Rogation Days and Ascension Day. Similar courses of sermons and instructions I shall hope to be able to give from time to time in different towns and villages. And apart from such more special and prolonged ministrations (of the nature of a mission) I am very desirous that the Bishop's visitation should be a time of real spiritual help. Much, I believe, may be done in this way, both for the cheer of the ordinary pastor (who often suffers much, whether consciously or unconsciously, from isolation), for the upbuilding of the faithful, and for the presentation of the truth, as the Church holds it, to those who are not of her fold. In future visitations I shall hope not only to meet people socially, but that any will feel free to come to the Bishop for any individual spiritual help that they feel themselves to need, whether in matters of faith or of life. While of course the Parish Priest is the ordinary guide to

be consulted in such matters (where help is needed), there are cases where, from closeness and familiarity of association, a person would prefer to seek counsel from another, who may also have a wider experience. At any rate I earnestly hope it will be understood that the Chief Pastor is not a distant official, concerned only with the business of the diocese and with public services.

During these four months I have, in the diocese, celebrated the Holy Communion sixty-two times; thrice administered Holy Baptism; administered Confirmation on forty occasions to 364 candidates; preached 127 times, and given fourteen other addresses. The detailed record of ministrations and Episcopal acts, as contained in my Journal, will be printed in an appendix, but I will not read it unless it should be called for. I have consecrated one Church; ordained one Deacon and one Priest. I have instituted one Rector; licensed fifteen Lay Readers; admitted three Candidates for Holy Orders; received three clergymen from other dioceses, and transferred one. I have given my canonical consent to the consecration of one Bishop, the Assistant of Virginia.

Our present statistics are as follows:— Besides the Bishop, we have thirty-two Priests (from which number we must deduct two who are incapacitated, and two who are ministering in other dioceses, adding two who are not yet canonically transferred, making thirty effective Priests), and two Deacons. We have seven Candidates for Holy Orders and six Postulants.

To make the statistics complete for the year I should add that thirty-seven candidates were confirmed since the last Diocesan Convention by the Bishops of Quincy and

Long Island, making the whole number confirmed 401. The Bishop of Quincy also ordained one Priest, and pronounced sentence of deposition on one, acting at the request of the Standing Committee.

My greatest anxiety has been to secure clergymen for vacant posts. There were several vacancies on my accession; there are some now, but I am in hopes of seeing them soon filled.

Our stipends are small. We have, I think, but eight above $1,000; and only three of that amount, with a rectory house. Small stipends naturally lead to frequent changes. A clergyman with a family must seek a cure which will give him sufficient means to provide for and educate his children. And here, my Brethren of the Laity, you will let me say that so long as the sentiment of Church people remains generally in favor of a married clergy, the laity are bound to contribute adequate means for the support of their clergyman's family. I do not think that this responsibility is realized as it should be. You do not want your pastor to be hampered in his spiritual work by having himself to attend to all sorts of household duties. But these he must undertake if he only receives just enough to live on—and that perhaps with some irregularity or uncertainty. The result is that his time and energy (a man has only a certain amount of either) which should have been given to study, to prayer, to pastoral visiting, to regular ministrations, are consumed on work, which, though perfectly honorable in itself, is yet a distinct distraction from the work to which the priest is specially called. This absence of economy would be perceived at once in the case of a lawyer or a doctor. You expect your legal or medical

adviser to keep up his studies, to give himself wholly to his professional work, and you expect to pay such fees for his support as will enable him to do this. I plead then for more liberal contributions for the support of the clergy, with a view to better work, and more permanent pastorates.

Among many points in the Parochial Reports as to which fuller and more exact information is desirable than is secured by the present form, the matter of "the Rector's salary" is conspicuous. This now apparently comes under the head of payments actually made. Thus it may cover only a portion of the year during which there has been a Rector. In other cases the sum is reported which the Parish *supposes* itself to pay, without noting the difference between theory and practice. It is clear that two items are needed, (1) the amount of annual stipend promised, (2) the amount actually paid during the last twelve months. The present form of Report, I believe, has never been adopted by the Convention, and I shall feel free to frame another next year which may better serve the purpose.

It seems clear to me that the right and wise plan in several parts of the diocese would be to group together three or four small stations, under the care of a Priest, with a Deacon to assist him. Such groups often cannot afford, at present at any rate, a proper stipend for more than one Priest, with perhaps a family. But in most cases sufficient could be raised in addition for the support of an unmarried Deacon during the first year or so of his clerical life. If in a short time, after his ordination to the Priesthood, such an assistant were advanced to a separate cure, this need not have any upsetting effect upon the work, if the Priest remain as permanently settled Pastor. In some cases, per-

haps, the work might so develop that a second Parish Priest would be required, while a second full stipend could be raised.

I am inclined to think that the common religious interest and spiritual sympathy involved in such grouping of mission stations might help to overcome the petty jealousies and rivalries which sometimes exist between neighboring villages.

In one case I have used the power given by our Canons,* and with the consent of the Standing Committee annulled the parochial status of St. John's, Manchester, placing it upon the list of Missions, and giving the charge of it to the Rector of Zion Parish, Manchester Centre. The existence of two entirely separate organizations was a distinct cause of weakness to the Church. Neither place was strong enough by itself to support a resident pastor. St. John's had never attempted to do so. Its parochial organization existed only in name, no officers having been elected for a considerable time; indeed there were no qualified persons to elect or be elected. Some earnest Church-women had provided services generally conducted by a Lay Reader, with occasional visits from different and irresponsible clergymen. They will find that they have more ministrations under the new arrangement than ever before. It is a question that sooner or later will have to be considered whether some other Churches which were either prematurely granted a parochial organization, or which have fallen below the requirements now laid down for becoming a Parish, should not be legally made into Missions, which they practically now.

* Canon VI. Title II. Sec. 3

Closely connected with the support of the clergy is a matter about which I feel bound to say something. With few clergymen, and frequent vacancies, we have naturally and necessarily been forced to avail ourselves freely of the permitted service of Lay Readers. Without this help, the value of which is fully appreciated, many of our congregations would have suffered badly. But there is, I am persuaded, a danger (not in this diocese only) lest a permitted use should degenerate into an abuse that was never contemplated in the permission. The Canon of the general Church very carefully guards the sanction which it gives to the ministrations of Lay Readers.* For instance: (1) They must receive a formal and written license from the Bishop of the diocese. (2) Where there is a Rector, such license is only to be given on his request and recommendation. (3) This license can only be given for a definite period, in no case longer than a year, at the end of which time it may be formally renewed. (4) The license is given for a particular place. (5) A Lay Reader is always to work under direction, either of the Minister in charge, or (if there be none) of the Bishop. (6) This applies to the sermons he reads to the congregation. (7) A *special* license is required from the Bishop to authorize the Lay Reader to deliver addresses of his own.

It is a distinct abuse that a Parish or Mission station should be *in the charge* of a Lay Reader, even though such an arrangement be designed partly to support a divinity student, and partly to enable a parish to recuperate its finances. This is expressly excluded by the Canon which says, "Such license shall not be granted for conducting the service in a Congregation without a Minister, which is able, and has had reasonable opportunity, to secure the ser-

*Canon XII, Title I of the Digest.

vices of an ordained Minister." I trust that all the provisions of the Canon will be strictly observed in this diocese. And I give notice that for the future all Lay Readers' licenses will expire with the Advent season of each year, and application must then be made to the Bishop for their renewal. For myself, I think it much to be preferred, when possible, that a devout communicant of the parish should, in the absence of a clergyman, lead the devotions of the parochial family, rather than that a professional Lay Reader from outside, who is regarded as a semi-clergyman, should be employed and paid for his services. There are cases where this is necessary. Do not let us needlessly multiply them. Apart from the probable injury to the young man, without the grace and without the responsibility of Holy Orders, the practice tends to lower the whole conception of the pastoral office (too little understood among our people generally), as if (apart from consideration of the sacraments) the chief work of the clergy was to conduct services and to deliver sermons, instead of being (to quote the words of Richard Hooker) "spiritual and ghostly physicians, the guides and pastors of redeemed souls, whose office doth not only consist in general persuasions to amendment of life, but also in the private, particular cure of diseased minds."*

Without a Priest there cannot of course be a celebration of the Holy Communion. And we certainly should beware of anything that tends to sanction the idea that the Sacrament of our Lord's Body and Blood is an occasional rite for specially devout persons—an addition to the regular Sunday morning service, rather than the normal and central act of the Church's approach to God, the Lord's Service

*Ecclesiastical Polity, bk. VI. chap. IV, 7.

for the Lord's Day, without taking part in which no primitive Christian would have been considered to have properly kept Sunday. So far as I know (but the reports are not clear) there are only ten parishes in the diocese with a regular weekly celebration of the Holy Communion. Some others have it weekly during Advent and Lent. I trust that before long every parish will have a Sunday Eucharist, or at least that every priest will celebrate within the limits of his cure each Sunday, either at an earlier hour or at the forenoon service. It is well that on different Sundays the hour should be varied, so that all classes of persons may have frequent opportunities of being present. Along with more frequent celebrations of the Holy Communion there is needed careful instruction, that people may come to the Sacrament both intelligently and devoutly, after an earnest preparation. In too many cases I fear no real preparation is made beforehand, even for an occasional Communion, and no special devotions have been recommended.

My own experience in the diocese has abundantly proved that there is no insuperable difficulty about getting people to an early Celebration; that such services are very largely and highly appreciated.

The practice of celebrating the Holy Sacrament in the afternoon, in mission stations at a distance from the central church, where the Sunday service is generally held at that time, I cannot approve. It will always, I believe, be found possible to arrange for a morning service once in a month, often at an hour which will enable the priest to return to the central Church for his midday service. Or in some cases the Celebration could be on a week day morning. It is most important that with a large Roman Catholic popu-

lation around us we should avoid anything that would seem to show an indifference to truly Catholic tradition, or a low esteem of the Eucharistic mysteries. At the same time we may be sure that we shall not be likely to impress or win Protestant bodies if we fail to bear witness to distinctive principles of reverence and order. This remark applies, I need not say, to much beside the particular point which suggested it. It applies, for instance, to the whole matter of Ecclesiastical Discipline, and in particular to the maintenance of the Divine law guarding the sanctity of the Married State. It applies likewise to comparatively minor matters of reverent posture in Divine worship. Kneeling is, I fear, rendered well nigh impossible in some of our churches by the awkward arrangement of the seats.

I propose to print for circulation among our congregations some simple suggestions for more reverent behaviour in church; such as in going about the diocese I have seen to be needed, and concerning which I feel sure it is only necessary that attention should be called to them that they may be generally adopted.

On one matter connected with Divine service I feel obliged to express my judgment, even at the risk of hurting feelings one would gladly spare. It will be understood I hope that the wound, if such there be, is caused by a friendly hand. I cannot think that the novelty of "vested female choristers," at any rate of girls dressed up like boys, is at all to be commended. I have no sort of objection to girls and women singing in church (the idea that every little place should have a boy choir is ridiculous); nor should I seriously object to the female choristers wearing a distinctive dress, if this be thought necessary or desirable; but then let the garb be feminine, a plain dress for instance

and a veil; to adopt what by tradition is a species of male ecclesiastical attire—cassock, cotta and cap—seems to me a great mistake, in no way adding to the dignity of those so vested, and giving in Church apparent countenance to the idle but very mischievous attempt of some to obliterate the distinction between the sexes, whereas our real aim should be in all ways to help both man and woman to be their very best, each according to their kind. Confusion is not harmony; imitation is apt to be caricature.

There are some parishes where the Revised Prayer Book (now our only authorized book) is hardly known. I shall be glad to co-operate, where necessary, with the clergy in procuring supplies of the new Prayer Book for sale or distribution among the people. I may express a hope that the rubrics and directions may be carefully noted; and that while the elasticity that is provided for in the different services is freely used, any deviations from rule may be abandoned. I have prepared and printed a Card for Evening Service, which may be useful in many places, both in Church for worshippers who are unfamiliar with the Prayer Book, and in Mission and School rooms where it is thought best to use the Church Service.* In distinct Mission services, such as I have held in several places in secular buildings, I have no hesitation in putting the Prayer Book in one's pocket, while it is very desirable to have a good deal of its contents at one's command and ready for use in a free and unliturgical form.

Mission services naturally suggest mention of the work of the General Missionary. And I desire to express my

*These cards may be procured from Tuttle & Co., Rutland, Vt., at $1.50 per hundred.

hearty appreciation of the value of Dr. Harris's labours, both in the months before and in those following my Consecration, and my most earnest desire that they may be continued. Indeed his removal would be a most serious loss to the diocese. The Bishop cannot do the work which belongs to the Diocesan Missionary. His own cares will be greatly lightened by the aid of such a lieutenant in this department. The many scattered groups of Church people about the State; and the number of people around us ready to welcome the ministrations of the Church, sometimes where they are without any religious help at all; as well as our liability to frequent vacancies in regular mission stations,—all make the provision of a General Missionary a matter of obligation. I trust that there may be no difficulty about securing the necessary funds for his continued support.

Interest in the Missionary and other works of the Diocese will I trust be stimulated by the publication, at least quarterly, of a Diocesan paper (a development of *The Mountain Echo*), which will also serve as a medium for the circulation from time to time of many notes and suggestions which the Bishop would be glad to bring before the people, but which hardly call for the issue of a Pastoral Letter. This paper will I hope have a wide circulation in the diocese; otherwise it must fail of its purpose.*

Christian Education according to the principles of the Church has from the beginning been a conspicuous feature at least in the ideal of the Diocese of Vermont. Our two Schools, in which we have an opportunity of realizing Bishop Hopkins's hopes and plans, must be a subject of deep and anxious interest to a new Bishop. Both have done good

*The names of subscribers should be sent to the Rev. W. J. Harris, D. D., Rutland, Vt., 20 cents for the year.

work in the past. Both I earnestly trust have a future of great usefulness before them. For myself I shall never be content until they are placed on a more truly *Diocesan* basis; the financial responsibility and so the real management being shouldered by the Trustees, and not merely the appointment of a Principal; and the charges so reduced that we may not be out of the reach of the average Vermont boys and girls, for whose education, rather than of pupils from a distance, the Schools are primarily intended. To attain both of these objects Endowments are necessary, and for help of this kind, even in comparatively small sums, I would most earnestly plead. Meanwhile I desire to express my deep interest in both Schools, and my intention to do all in my power to help them. Arrangements are being made by the Trustees for the management of the Girls' School, which we hope will prove entirely satisfactory. I intend myself, with the assistance of my resident chaplain, to undertake the spiritual care of both institutions.

This leads to a word about the Episcopal Residence. It seemed clear to me that the right place for my home was at Rock Point, close to the Schools, which one would thus be able most effectively to influence and help. There are advantages as well as inconveniences in the retired situation. Any inconvenience to the clergy and others desirous of consulting the Bishop, owing to the distance from the city, I think we can overcome. My hope is that by degrees I may be able to gather round me in the Bishop's House some young clergymen and candidates for Holy Orders, who may both give help in the Schools, and go out under my direction for missionary work in the Diocese. Thus the Ver-

mont Episcopal Institute (in the widest sense) may become a real centre of devotion, of education, and of missionary enterprise, according to the original idea of its Founder. Our buildings will afford opportunity from time to time for gatherings of the clergy and laity, whether for common devotion, or for mutual conference. We shall begin to use them in this way at the Retreat (or Two Days of Devotional Retirement) for Church women, which I hope to conduct in the week after next. The clergy I trust will come together for a similar purpose in September.

Permit me, my Brethren, one word of exhortation before I conclude my Address. Whatever our privileges as Churchmen, with the guarantees of an Apostolic Ministry, and the safeguards of Catholic Creeds, and the inherited traditions of Worship and Discipline (and surely we cannot be content to value these for ourselves as an exclusive possession), we shall only recommend them to others as their effect is seen in bracing and controlling, in elevating and deepening our own spiritual life. Let us seek to shew an Apostolic Succession of zeal and devotion; and to build up our moral and spiritual life on the foundations of our most holy Faith.

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Feb. 2. Friday. *Feast of the Purification.* Consecrated third Bishop of Vermont in St. Paul's Church, Burlington, by the Bishops of Maine (the Rt. Rev. H. A. Neely), New Hampshire (the Rt. Rev. W. W. Niles), and Massachusetts (the Rt. Rev. W. Lawrence), acting under commission from the Presiding Bishop (the Rt. Rev. John Williams, Bishop of Connecticut); the Bishops of Delaware (the Rt. Rev. Leighton Coleman), and Fond du Lac (the Rt. Rev. C. C. Grafton), with the Metropolitan of Canada (the Most Rev. J. T. Lewis, Archbishop of Ontario), joining in the Imposition of Hands. The Bishop of Delaware preached the sermon from I. Timothy vi., 20. Nearly all the Clergy of the Diocese were present, with several from the Dioceses of Massachusetts and New Hampshire, and representatives of the neighboring Canadian Dioceses of Quebec and Montreal. The Church was filled with a large congregation representing all parts of the Diocese. After the service the Parish of St. Paul's entertained the Clergy and members of the last Diocesan Convention, with many others, at luncheon. Hearty impromptu addresses were made by the Bishops present; and a message of thanks and congratulation was sent to the Bishops, Clergy and Laity assembled at Albany to celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of Bishop Doane's Consecration,

in reply to a loving message of greeting and good wishes received from Albany in the morning. A reception followed, at which I had the pleasure of meeting a large number of representatives of nearly all our congregations, as well as a considerable number of the citizens of Burlington.

Feb. 3. Saturday. As my first ministration in the Diocese, I celebrated the Holy Eucharist in St. Paul's Church, Burlington, at seven o'clock; and gave the Blessed Sacrament to about a hundred communicants, including many friends from a distance, who had come to be present at the Consecration. Addressed a pastoral letter to the congregations of the Diocese on the observance of the coming Lenten Season.

Feb. 4. *Quinquagesima Sunday.* At St. Paul's, Burlington. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist at the forenoon service, assisted by the Rector, the Rev. Lucius M. Hardy, Principal of Bishop Hopkins Hall, and the Rev. George Aug. Strong, of Brockton, Massachusetts. Preached morning and evening.

Feb. 5. Monday. Left St. Paul's Rectory, where I had been most kindly entertained by Dr. Bliss, and took up my temporary residence at Bishop Hopkins Hall.

Feb. 7. *Ash Wednesday.* Celebrated the Holy Eucharist, early, in the chapel of Bishop Hopkins Hall. Preached at the forenoon service at St. Paul's, Burlington. Received notice of the Rev. G. A. Wilkins's resignation of the Parish at Bethel. Officiated at evening service at St. Albans (the Rector being ill), and preached the first of a course of Lent Sermons.

Feb. 8. Thursday. To Montpelier. Afternoon: An informal reception of parishioners and others at the house of Hon. Charles Dewey. Evening: Preached the first of a course of Lent Sermons.

Feb. 9. Friday. Evening: Began a course of Lent Sermons at St. Paul's, Burlington. Renewed license of Mr. George S. Maynard as Lay Reader at Fairfield.

Feb. 10. Saturday. Celebrated the Holy Communion early at the Vermont Episcopal Institute, and began a course of instructions to the boys on prayer. Renewed license as Lay Reader to Edward Lowe Temple, Rutland. To Brattleboro. Reception of parishioners and others at the Rectory in the evening.

Feb. 11. *First Sunday in Lent.* Celebrated the Holy Eucharist early at St. Michael's Church. Baptized an adult at the forenoon service and preached. Afternoon: Preached at Christ Church, Guilford, and confirmed two persons—my first confirmation, in the Church consecrated seventy-five years ago next Sunday (Feb. 18) by Bishop Griswold. Evening: Confirmed two persons, and preached at St. Michael's.

Feb. 12. Monday. Officiated at morning prayer at Brattleboro. Stopped at Rutland on my way to Burlington, and preached at an afternoon service.

Feb. 13. Tuesday. Began a course of Lenten instructions at Evensong in the chapel of the Hall.

Feb. 14. Wednesday. Morning: Celebrated in the chapel of the Hall. Evening: Preached at St. Albans.

Feb. 15. Thursday. Morning: Celebrated the Holy Communion at St. Albans at eight o'clock. Evening: Preached at Montpelier.

Feb. 16. Friday. Evening: Preached at Burlington.

Feb. 17. Saturday. Morning: Celebrated the Holy Eucharist at the Institute, and gave an instruction to the boys.

Feb. 18. *Second Sunday in Lent.* At Barre, along with the Rev. Dr. Harris, the General Missionary. I celebrated the Holy Communion early, and Dr. Harris at midday. Preached at the morning and evening services; and at Graniteville in the afternoon. Met most of the people interested in the Mission after the evening service, and promised to do all in my power to secure for them a resident pastor.

Feb. 19. Monday. Received notification of the deposition from the priesthood of the Rev. John Alma Bevington, by the Bishop of Massachusetts, Feb. 13; also of the Rev. George H. Yarnall, by the Bishop of Newark, Jan. 12. Licensed Joseph D. Dennison as Lay Reader for Royalton, Bethel and West Randolph. Evening: Addressed a number of young men at a Bible class in the chapel of St. Paul's, Burlington.

Feb. 20. Tuesday. Received a memorial signed by the Wardens and Vestry of Zion Church, Manchester Centre, calling my attention to the fact that St. John's, Manchester, has become a Parish only in name, having no Wardens, no Vestry, no Officers authorized to act either by the Canons of the Church or by the Civil Law, and making no report to the Diocesan Convention ; and praying that the limits of the Mother Parish may be restored by making St. John's a Mission Station, in accordance with the provisions of the amendment to Canon XI,

Title II, § 2, of the Diocesan Canons, so that a resident Clergyman might be supported to minister in both Churches all the year round. Received notification of the deposition from the ministry of the Rev. A. W. F. Manifold, priest, by the Bishop of Pennsylvania, Feb. 5. Evening: Instruction in the chapel of the Hall.

Feb. 21. Wednesday. Celebrated early in the chapel of the Hall. Evening: Preached at St. Albans.

Feb. 22. Thursday. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist early at St. Albans. Evening: Preached at Montpelier.

Feb. 23. Friday. Evening: Preached at St. Paul's, Burlington.

Feb. 24. Saturday. *St. Matthias' Day.* Celebrated the Holy Eucharist at the Institute, and addressed the boys.

Feb. 25. *Third Sunday in Lent.* At St. Johnsbury. Celebrated the Holy Communion in the Church at eight, with over sixty communicants, though the thermometer was at 38 below zero. Preached at the forenoon and evening Services, and addressed the Sunday School. Confirmed twelve persons. In the afternoon addressed a large meeting of men in the Music Hall, at the invitation of the Y. M. C. A.

Feb. 26. Monday. A reception of the parishioners at the Rectory, before I left St. Johnsbury. Evening: With Dr. Harris held Service and preached at Hardwick, at the large hall in the new school house. There are, alas, no regular ministrations of the Church here, and the opportunity to estab-

lish ourselves in the place seems to have been missed a year ago.

Feb. 27. Tuesday. Evening: Instruction in the chapel of Bishop Hopkins Hall.

Feb. 28. Wednesday. Celebrated Holy Communion in the chapel of the Hall. Evening: Preached at St. Albans.

March 1. Thursday. Celebrated Holy Communion at St. Albans. Evening: Preached at Montpelier.

March 2. Friday. Afternoon: Presided at a meeting of the Missionary Committee. Evening: Preached at St. Paul's, Burlington.

March 3. Saturday. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist in the chapel of the Institute, and addressed the boys.

March 4. *Fourth Sunday in Lent.* At West Randolph. Celebrated the Holy Communion and preached at St. John's in the forenoon. In the afternoon preached at Randolph Centre. And in the evening at West Randolph.

March 5. Monday. At Royalton. Called on the Rev. Mr. Stickney, our oldest Clegyman, whom I knew years ago in Boston, where he was for over twenty years assistant at the Church of the Advent. Held Service and preached in the Church in the evening; the first time the Church has been open this Lent.

March 6. Tuesday. To Richford. Evening Prayer and a Meditation in the Church for the Clergy assembled for the ordination to-morrow.

March 7. Wednesday. Confirmed four persons after Morning Prayer at nine, and made an address. Ordination at half-past ten. Raised the Rev. Forrest Haden Blunt to the Priesthood, preaching the ser-

mon and celebrating the Holy Eucharist. The Clergy assisting were the Rev. Dr. Flanders, Messrs. Atwell, Stone, Smith, Hardy, and Simon Blunt of the Diocese of Vermont, and the Rev. W. B. Brown of the Diocese of Montreal. Preached at St. Albans in the evening. Received notice of the Rev. Josephus Tragitt's resignation of Calvary Parish, East Berkshire, and of the acceptance thereof by the Vestry, to take effect on Easter Monday.

March 8. Thursday. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist early at St. Albans. Preached in the evening at Montpelier.

March 9. Friday. Preached in the afternoon at Shelburne, and in the evening at St. Paul's, Burlington.

March 10. Saturday. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist at the Institute, and gave an instruction. Evening at Middlebury : After Evensong, gave an instruction on Holy Communion. Met the parishioners and others afterwards in the chapel.

March 11. *Fifth Sunday in Lent.* Celebrated Holy Communion in St. Stephen's at seven. Assisted at the forenoon Service, preached, and baptised the Rector's infant daughter. Afternoon : Preached at East Middlebury and confirmed nine persons. Evening : Preached at St. Stephen's and confirmed twenty persons.

March 12. Monday. Administered the Holy Sacrament privately to a sick person (Mrs. Geo. Chapman). To Manchester, for conference with representatives of St. John's, and with the Vestry of Zion Church, concerning the position of the former congregation.

In the evening preached in Zion Church and confirmed seven persons. Met the parishioners after Service in the Rectory.

March 13. Tuesday. Instruction in the evening at the chapel of Bishop Hopkins Hall, the last of the Lenten course. Accepted William Cyprian Hopkins, Jr., as a Postulant for Holy Orders.

March 14. Wednesday. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist in the chapel of the Hall. Evening: Concluded my course of Lent Sermons at St. Albans.

March 15. Thursday. Morning: Celebrated the Holy Eucharist at St. Albans. Evening: Concluded course of Lent Sermons at Montpelier.

March 16. Friday. Evening: Concluded Lent Sermons at St. Paul's, Burlington.

March 17. Saturday. Celebrated the Funeral Eucharist for Mrs. Ross (wife of the Principal), in the chapel of the Institute, and made an address. Later assisted in the Burial Service at St. Paul's Church. Sent Letter Dimissory to the Bishop of Connecticut for the Rev. Josephus Tragitt. Evening: To Brandon. Gave an Instruction on Holy Communion in the Church at seven. Reception at the Rectory afterwards.

March 18. *Palm Sunday.* At Brandon. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist early. Preached at morning and evening Service, and in the afternoon at Forestdale.

March 19. *Monday before Easter.* After Celebration and Morning Prayer at Brandon, to Rutland for the rest of Holy Week. Gave a Meditation in the afternoon, and preached at night.

March 20. *Tuesday before Easter.* Celebration and Morn-

ing Prayer. Meditation in the afternoon and preached at Evensong.

March 21. *Wednesday before Easter.* Services as on Tuesday

March 22. *Maundy Thursday.* Received notice of acceptance of transfer of the Rev. Josephus Tragitt to the Diocese of Connecticut, from the Bishop. Spent a large part of the day receiving people for individual spiritual help in preparation for Confirmation and Easter communion. Services as on Tuesday, with Confirmation in the evening; fifty-five confirmed.

March 23. *Good Friday.* Assisted in the morning services at Trinity Church, and preached. Conducted the Three Hours' Devotions. In the evening held service and preached at Grace Church, West Rutland, and confirmed three candidates prepared by the General Missionary.

March 24. *Easter Even.* Celebrated at West Rutland, early, to give Easter Communion. Thirty-five communicants. Concluded the Holy Week services at Trinity Church with a Meditation after Morning Prayer. Received letter of transfer of the Rev. George Lynde Richardson from the Diocese of Albany. To Bellows Falls.

March 25. *Easter Day.* Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls. Celebrated Holy Communion at half-past six, with sixty-five communicants. Assisted at the other services; preached morning and evening, and catechized the children in the afternoon at their festival service.

March 26. *Easter Monday.* Celebrated Holy Communion at seven, fifteen communicants. Attended the an-

nual Parish meeting. Reception in the evening at the Parish house.

March 27. *Easter Tuesday.* Celebrated at seven o'clock. To Windsor. Gave canonical consent to the consecration of the Rev. John Breckenborough Newton as Assistant Bishop of Virginia. Preached at Evening Prayer, and confirmed five candidates. Reception at the Rectory.

March 28. Wednesday. Celebrated Holy Communion at seven. At noon to Springfield. In the hall used for the church services confirmed four persons, prepared by the General Missionary. Preached after evening service in the Town Hall at half-past seven. Both Dr. Harris and Mr. Haughton, the Rector of Charlestown, N. H., who has consented to come to Springfield for afternoon service on three Sundays in the month, were present.

March 29. Thursday. Celebrated in Golden Cross Hall at seven; fourteen communicants—their Easter Communion. Drove over to Chester for service and sermon at eleven. Returned to Burlington and supped in the Church rooms at St. Paul's with the Pastoral Aid Society, and made an address.

March 30. Friday. Met the Standing Committee and consulted with them concerning St. John's, Manchester. Acting with the consent of the Committee (in accordance with the amendment to Canon XI., Title II., Sec. 2 of the Diocesan Canons), declared void the parochial organization of St. John's, and placed it on the list of Mission stations. Wrote letter communicating this decision to the Rector of Zion Church, Manchester Centre, and to the Lay

Reader serving at St. John's, Manchester. Received testimonials in favor of Walter Harriman Cambridge, William Cyprian Hopkins, Jr., and Henry Closson Gilbert as candidates for Holy Orders. Enrolled the last named among the candidates for Priest's Orders, and the other two among candidates for the Diaconate, until they receive their college degree.

March 31. Saturday. At Vergennes. Reception of parishioners and others at the Rectory.

April 1. *Low Sunday.* At St. Paul's, Vergennes. Celebrated the Holy Communion at half-past seven. Preached morning and evening and catechised the Sunday School. Confirmed nine candidates. The Rev. John Chapman was with us, before starting again this week for his missionary work in Alaska.

April 2. Monday. Celebrated the Holy Communion at Vergennes early.

April 3. Tuesday. Conference with the committee of the trustees concerning the alterations needed in the Episcopal Residence. Left for Quebec, where I spent Wednesday and Thursday with the Bishop, preaching in the Cathedral and speaking at a public meeting for the Diocesan Society.

April 7. Saturday. To Bennington. Reception of parishioners and others at the Rectory.

April 8. *Second Sunday after Easter.* St. Peter's, Bennington. Celebrated the Holy Communion at seven. Instituted the Rev. George Lynde Richardson as Rector at the forenoon service, and preached. Addressed the Sunday School. At evening service confirmed two persons, and preached.

April 9. Monday. To Fair Haven. Preached at Evensong in St. Luke's Church, and confirmed ten candidates. A reception afterwards at the hotel.

April 10. Tuesday. Celebrated at St. Luke's Church at half-past seven; forty-seven communicants, including the ten newly admitted to Holy Communion. Afternoon service at Castleton in St. Faith's Chapel. Preached and confirmed three. The women at Castleton highly commended by the Rector, Mr. Anketell. Evening service at Hydeville. Preached and confirmed two. Reception afterwards at Mr. Hanger's, the Lay Reader. Crowded congregations in all these Churches.

April 11. Wednesday. Celebrated at Hydeville at half-past seven. Fifteen communicants. Evening: At Poultney. Preached and confirmed fifteen.

April 12. Thursday. Celebrated in Trinity Church, Poultney, at seven. Fifty-five communicants. Visited some sick people. Drove to Middletown Springs. Service in the Congregational Church at eleven: Preached. Drove to Wells for afternoon service at three: Preached. Evening service at St. John's, East Poultney: Preached and confirmed thirteen.

April 13. Friday. Returned to Burlington for committee meeting about Bishop Hopkins Hall. Received official notice of the election of the Rev. F. H. Blunt to the Rectorship of Calvary Church, East Berkshire.

April 14. Saturday. To Woodstock, stopping at White River Junction for conference with Mr. Farman. Reception at the Rectory in the evening.

April 15. *Third Sunday after Easter.* At Woodstock. Celebrated early. Preached morning and evening; addressed the Sunday School, and confirmed a lad.

April 16. Monday. White River Junction. Conference with the Rev. Dr. Hill and with several of the people concerning the position and prospects of the Mission. Drove to Norwich, Hanover and Olcott. Preached at Evening Service. A reception afterwards at Mrs. Barnes's house.

April 17. Tuesday. After visiting Hartford, to Northfield. Preached at Evening Service, and confirmed eleven persons.

April 18. Wednesday. Celebrated the Holy Communion at seven: Forty communicants. Visited the Norwich University, and addressed the cadets. To Bethel. Conferred with several of the people and with the Vestry about the Parish. Held Service in the evening, and preached.

April 19. Thursday. Celebrated the Holy Sacrament at seven. Twenty-nine communicants. Returned to Burlington. Licensed George Herbert Randall and H. Ross Roberts as Lay Readers in the Parish of Poultney and the neighboring stations.

April 20. Friday. Licensed Walter Harrington Cambridge as Lay Reader at Swanton and Highgate.

April 21. Saturday. Received official notice of the election of the Rev. J. C. Flanders to the Rectorship of Zion Church, Manchester Centre. To Arlington. Reception at the Rectory in the evening.

April 22. *Fourth Sunday after Easter.* At St. James's Church, Arlington. Celebrated the Holy Communion at seven. Preached morning and evening, and addressed the Sunday School. Confirmed fourteen persons. Afternoon Service at Sunderland.

April 23. Monday. To Boston. Dined in company with the Bishops of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and

New Hampshire, as the guest of the Laymen's Episcopalian Club of Massachusetts.

April 24. Tuesday. Celebrated the Holy Communion privately for an infirm person. Enjoyed a very hearty welcome from many old friends in Cambridge and Boston. Preached in St. Paul's Church, Boston, at the Anniversary Service of the Massachusetts Branch of the Free and Open Church Association, in special memory of Dr. George Cheyne Shattuck, its late President. Also spoke at the annual meeting of the New England Church Temperance Society.

April 25. *St. Mark's Day.* Prevented by indisposition from taking part, as the Bishop had requested, in the opening Service of the Massachusetts Diocesan Convention; but attended part of the session. At the Church of the Messiah, baptized the child of a former parishioner (Mary Donnison Sturgis).

April 28. Saturday. Returned from Boston, where I had been detained by illness, to Montpelier. Instruction on Confirmation after Evening Prayer.

April 29. *Fifth Sunday After Easter.* Christ Church, Montpelier. Celebrated the Holy Communion at half-past seven. About fifty communicants. Preached at midday, and confirmed seventeen persons. In the afternoon drove to Barre. Evensong in the Hall of the Mission. Confirmed seven persons prepared by Dr. Harris. Mr. Lewis accompanied me. Preaching Service in the evening in the Music Hall, which was full,

April 30. *Rogation Monday.* To Brattleboro. After Evensong began course of Sermons on Prayer: 1. Ac-

cording to the Will of God; 2. In the Name of Christ; 3. By the aid of the Holy Ghost.

May 1. Tuesday. *SS. Philip and James.* Celebrated in the morning; preached in the evening. Licensed William Cyprian Hopkins, Jr., as Lay Reader under the Rev. G. Graves. Took part in the examination along with the Rev. W. H. Collins and the Rev. D. L. Sanford, chaplains, of Mr. Samuel E. Hanger, a Candidate for Deacon's Orders.

May 2. *Rogation Wednesday.* Celebrated at seven. Preached in the evening, and confirmed nine candidates.

May 3. *Ascension Day.* Celebrated at seven; thirty-five communicants. Preached at Morning Prayer. In the evening preached at the Ascension Service of the Knights Templar in the Congregational Church, which was loaned for the occasion.

May 4. Friday. To Albany, N. Y., to see both the Bishop and the Dean. Received notice of the deposition of the Rev. Emil Lund, deacon, by the Bishop in charge of Northern Michigan.

May 5. Saturday. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist in the Cathedral of All Saints. To New York City.

May 6. *Sunday after the Ascension.* Celebrated at the Church of the Holy Communion early, and preached there at midday. Delivered the last of the Church Club lectures, on Papal Infallibility, at St. Thomas's Church.

May 7. Monday. Saw the Vermont students and others at the General Theological Seminary.

May 8. Tuesday. Addressed the pupils at the School of the Sisters of St. Mary. Attended the monthly meeting of the Board of Managers at the Church Missions House. By night train to Washington.

May 9. Wednesday. In Washington. Celebrated the Holy Communion in the chapel of the House of Mercy. Had an interview with a Vermont student at Howard University ; and with a lady concerning the Principalship of Bishop Hopkins Hall. Returned to New York by the night train.

May 10. Thursday. Returned to Burlington.

May 11. Friday. To Milton with the Rev. G. Graves. Preached after Evening Prayer and confirmed three candidates.

May 12. Saturday. *Whitsun Eve.* Morning : Celebrated Holy Communion at Emmanuel Church, Georgia, preached, and confirmed one candidate. To East Berkshire.

May 13. *Whitsunday.* Morning Prayer, Celebration, and sermon at Calvary Church, East Berkshire (Mr. Blunt going to Richford). Addressed the Sunday School. Afternoon : At Union Church, Montgomery. Preached and confirmed seven (one from East Berkshire). Evening : Preached at East Berkshire.

May 14. *Monday in Whitsun Week.* Morning : At St. Matthew's, Enosburgh Falls. Confirmed twelve candidates, celebrated the Holy Communion, and preached. Afternoon : Preached at Evening Prayer at Christ Church, Enosburgh Centre, and confirmed one candidate. Evening : Held a Mission Service and preached in the Music Hall at Enosburgh Falls. Canon Davidson from Frelighsburg, in the Diocese of Montreal, was with us all day. Received notice of the deposition from the ministry, by the Bishop of Massachusetts, of Axel Zakarias Fryxell, presbyter.

May 15. *Tuesday in Whitsun Week.* To Richford. Conference with the officers of the Mission. Consecrated St. Ann's Church, assisted by the Revs. F. H. Blunt and L. M. Hardy of our Diocese, and the Rev. J. H. Lackey of the Diocese of Montreal. Celebrated the Holy Communion, and preached. Evening: At Grace Church, Sheldon. Preached after Evening Prayer.

May 16. *Ember Wednesday.* At half-past seven celebrated the Holy Communion in Grace Church, Sheldon (eighteen communicants), and confirmed one candidate. Drove to Highgate. Evening Prayer in St. John's Church in the afternoon (assisted by the Rev. E. S. Stone); preached, and confirmed one. Drove to Swanton for the evening. Conference with the Vestry. Held a Mission Service and preached in the Music Hall.

May 17. Thursday. Holy Trinity Church, Swanton. At 7.30 A. M. Confirmed ten candidates; celebrated the Holy Communion (fifty-six communicants), assisted by the Rev. E. S. Stone; preached; and baptized an infant. Returned to Burlington after an interesting Whitsuntide Visitation of the North Western district of the Diocese. The Visitation at St. Albans was postponed owing to repairs being made in the Church.

May 19. *Ember Saturday.* At St. James's, Hydeville, ordained to the Diaconate Mr. Samuel Ebenezer Hanger, assisted by the Rev. Messrs. Anketell, Randall, Lee, Niles, and Hardy. Preached and celebrated.

May 20. *Trinity Sunday.* At Trinity Church, Haverhill, Mass., for the Dedication Festival, where I preached

a Mission six years ago. Celebrated the Holy Communion early, and preached at midday. The children of the Sunday School have been devoting their offerings to the Mission at Barre. In the evening preached in Appleton Chapel of Harvard University.

May 21. Monday. Said Evensong with the Fathers at the Mission Church of St. John the Evangelist, Boston. Addressed the Missionary Society of the Episcopal Theological School at Cambridge, on ministry among the poor.

May 22. Tuesday. In Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls, preached, and confirmed seven.

May 23. Wednesday. District Meeting of the Women's Auxiliary, at Bellows Falls. Celebrated the Holy Communion and preached in the morning. Presided at evening Missionary Meeting and made an address. Delegates were present from eleven other Parishes in the Diocese, and several from New Hampshire. Visiting Clergy—the Rev. Dr. Harris, and Messrs. Collins, Ockford and Brown, with Messrs. Hale and Goodrich of New Hampshire.

May 24. Thursday. Celebrated the Holy Communion at seven; fifty communicants. In the evening at St. Johnsbury : Preached and confirmed fifteen candidates—seven from Lyndonville.

May 25. Friday. Received transfer of the Rev. Algernon T. Brown (whom I have appointed to the charge of the Mission at White River Junction), from the Bishop of Ohio; also notice of the deposition from the ministry (May 14) of William Hilary Coston, deacon, by the Bishop of Ohio, and (May 21) of

Frederick Golden Rainey, priest, by the Bishop of Massachusetts.

May 26. Saturday. To Proctorsville. Met most of the Church people in the evening.

May 27. *First Sunday after Trinity.* In Gethsemane Church, Proctorsville, celebrated the Holy Communion at half-past seven; seventeen communicants. Preached at midday, and confirmed six candidates. In the afternoon preached the baccalaureate sermon for the graduating class of the Black River Academy, in the Congregational Church at Ludlow. Evening at Chester; preached, and confirmed two in St. Luke's Church.

May 18. Monday. Celebrated Holy Communion in St. Luke's, at seven; fourteen communicants. Met many of the parishioners in the morning.

May 29. Tuesday. At Groton School, Massachusetts, for the Prize Day and celebration of the close of the tenth year of the school. Made an address along with the Bishop of the Diocese, President Eliot of Harvard, President Low of Columbia, and Mr. George Ruglee, the oldest graduate of the school.

May 31. Thursday. At St. Paul's School, Concord, New Hampshire, for the school's thirty-eighth anniversary. Assisted the Bishop of the Diocese in the service, the Rev. Dr. Morgan Dix preaching the sermon; and made an address at the luncheon, along with President Tucker of Dartmouth College, and Mr. Sherman Evarts.

June 1. Accepted the transfer of the Rev. George B. Johnson (who will serve as the Bishop's Chaplain) from the Diocese of Albany. Licensed as Lay Readers,

Henry H. Ross for the Vermont Episcopal Institute, Edson P. Gilson for West Rutland, John Cassius Davis for Castleton.

June 2. Saturday. Confirmed two infirm persons in the Chapel of St. Paul's, Burlington.

June 3. *Second Sunday after Trinity.* Morning at St. Paul's, Burlington: Catechized the Sunday School; confirmed fifty-two persons; celebrated the Holy Communion, and preached. Afternoon at Shelburne; preached, and confirmed ten persons.

June 4. Monday. Confirmed five boys at the Vermont Episcopal Institute, and preached to the School.

The Bishop's Address being concluded, the Convention proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee.

The Rev. Forest Blunt and Mr. Leach were appointed Tellers.

The report of the Tellers, after canvassing the votes, was announced, and the following persons were found to have received a majority of the ballots, and were declared to be duly elected as the Standing Committee of the Diocese for the ensuing year:

The Rev. JOSHUA ISHAM BLISS, D. D., Burlington.
The Rev. ALONZO B. FLANDERS, D. D., St. Albans.
The REV. FRANCIS W. SMITH, Woodstock.
Mr. CYRUS A. BOOTH, Vergennes.
Mr. HENRY WELLS, Burlington.
Mr. GEORGE BRIGGS, Brandon.

The Trustees of the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund reported that the Rt. Rev. Bishop had become a member of the Board of Trustees "ex-officio," and that they had elected Mr. John N. Woodfin of Rutland a Trustee, which action was approved by the Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hardy,

Resolved: That the portion of the Bishop's Address relating to the Diocesan Mission be considered this evening when the subject of Diocesan Missions is the order of business.

On motion of Mr. Dewey,

Resolved, That this Convention now select the names of one Clergyman and two Laymen to be presented together with his own name by our Bishop to the Venerable Society for the Propogation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts to fill vacancies in the board of Land Agents.

The Rev. Edward S. Stone and Messrs. George R. Bottum and John Reeve were selected.

Mr. Temple submitted the following resolution:

Resolved, That Canon VII, Title I be amended so as to read as follows: "The Holy Communion shall be celebrated at the opening of every Convention, at which time the Bishop's address or charge shall be delivered, unless the Bishop shall otherwise appoint." This was approved and referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of Mr. Dewey,

Resolved, That the next annual Convention of the Diocese be held in Christ Church, Montpelier, on the third Wednesday of June, 1895, unless the Bishop and Standing Committee determine to fix some other date.

On motion of Mr. Dewey,

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Covention cause to be printed fifteen hundred copies of the Journal of the Convention, including that of the Special Convention of August 30, 1893; to distribute one hundred to the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, and the balance at his discretion.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Niles, the Convention adjourned to 7 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, June 6, 7 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the chair.

Mr. Fred E. Smith presented a communication from the Board of Trustees of the Vermont Episcopal Institute, recommending for the approval of the Convention the following persons to be elected Trustees: The Rt. Rev. Arthur C. A. Hall, D. D., and Frederick C. Kennedy.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Flanders, the persons recommended by the Trustees were approved.

The President stated that the especial business before the Convention was the consideration of the Missionary work of the Diocese.

The Secretary of the Missionary Committee, the Rev. Mr. Atwell, read the report of the Committee, which was accepted, and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Journal. [H.]

The Treasurer, Mr. Temple, made his report of the several Missionary funds, which was accepted, and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Journal. [I. J. K. L.]

The Convention then proceeded to the election of the Missionary Committee, the Rev. Alonzo T. Brown and Mr. Henry H. Ross being appointed tellers.

The following were declared elected:

Rev. WILLIAM F. WEEKS, Brandon.
Rev. BENJ. W. ATWELL, Shelburne.
Rev. CHARLES M. NILES, Rutland.
Mr. CHARLES E. PARKER, Vergennes.
Mr. EDWARD L. TEMPLE, Rutland.
Mr. HOBART J. SHANLEY, Burlington.

The Rev. Wm. J. Harris, D. D., Diocesan Missionary, submitted his report and made an address to the Convention on the subject of Missions in the Diocese.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Sanford, seconded by the Rev. Mr. Atwell,

Resolved, This Convention cordially endorses the support of a Diocesan Missionary for the Diocese, and pledges its earnest co-operation with the Missionary Committee in the continuance of the salary of the Diocesan Missionary, as well as in the support of the feebler Parishes and Missions.

On motion of Mr Temple,

Resolved, That the Missionary Committee be authorized to raise a sum not less than that raised last year for Diocesan Missions, and that the Woman's Auxiliary be asked to assist the Missionary Committee in support of a Diocesan Missionary.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to 8.30 o'clock, Thursday morning.

SECOND DAY.

After celebration of Holy Communion at 7 o'clock A. M., Thursday, June 7, 1894, the Convention met pursuant to adjournment at 8:30 A. M.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Mr. Anketell of St. Luke's Church, Fair Haven, the Lessons being read by the Rev. Mr. Brown of Brattleboro.

Divine service being concluded, the President took the chair and the Convention proceeded with the unfinished business.

The Rev. Francis W. Smith, Chairman of the Committee on Canons reported that they had had under consideration the amendments to Title I, Canon 1, Section 2, and to Title II, Canon IV, submitted yesterday by the Rev. Mr. Goddard and approved by the Convention; also the amendment to Title I, Canon VII, proposed by Mr. Temple yesterday and approved by the Convention, and they recommend the adoption of the amendments.

The amendments were then read severally and each adopted by a majority of both Orders.

The Committee further reported, that they had had under consideration the amendment to Title III, Canon I, Section 3, presented by the Rev. Mr. Lewis yesterday, and recommend that it is not expedient to adopt the proposed amendment.

The Rev. Mr. Hardy submitted the following resolution which was not adopted:

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Canons with reference to the amendment of Mr. Lewis be non-concurred in.

The Auditors of Trust Funds submitted their report which was read by the Secretary as follows and accepted:

REPORT OF AUDITORS OF TRUST FUNDS.

Your Committee have examined the several accounts of the Treasurers of the Trust Funds of this Diocese and we find the funds in excellent condition so far as we are able to judge of the class of securities held by the different treasurers.

GEO. R. BOTTUM,
JAMES B. JONES,
D. W. ROBINSON,
} Auditors of the Trust Funds of the Diocese of Vermont.

St. Albans, Vt., June 6, 1894.

The Convention then unanimously elected

Mr. GEORGE R. BOTTUM, Rutland,
Mr. JAMES B. JONES, Woodstock,
Mr. DANIEL W. ROBINSON, Burlington,

Auditors of Trust Funds for the ensuing year.

The Committee on the Episcopal Fund submitted their report, which was accepted and adopted, and ordered that the following assessments upon the parishes for the Bishop's salary be made, payable to the Treasurer of the Diocese before the first day of January next:

St. Peter's, Bennington,	$20 00
Immanuel, Bellows Falls,	50 00
Christ Church, Bethel	5 00
Calvary, Berkshire,	5 00
St. Thomas', Brandon,	10 00
St. Michael's, Brattleboro,	15 00
St. Luke's, Chester,	10 00
St. Mathew's, Enosburgh Falls,	5 00
Christ Church, Guilford,	2 00
St. James', Hydeville,	4 00
St. Stephen's, Middlebury,	5 00

Union, Montgomery,	$ 4 00
St. John's, Poultney,	5 00
Grace, Randolph,	5 00
St. John's, West Randolph,	5 00
St. Paul's, Royalton,	3 00
Grace, West Rutland,	3 00
St. Andrew's, St. Johnsbury,	12 00
St. Paul's, Wells,	2 00
St. James', Woodstock,	15 00
Total,	$185 00

Your Committee would again respectfully urge upon the attention of the comparatively few Parishes that have not yet made the Capitalization of their assessment, the importance of their doing so. This will not in any way increase their burdens or responsibilities, but will enable the Convention to do away with the necessity for this Committee, and also with the levying of annual assessments, both desirable objects to be obtained.

JAMES B. JONES,
FRED W. CHILDS,

For the Committee on the Episcopal Fund.

St. Albans, Vt., June 6, A. D. 1894.

The Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont, through their Treasurer, Mr. Edson P. Gilson, presented their annual report, which was read and accepted, and ordered to be printed in the Appendix. [M.]

The Trustees of the Vermont Episcopal Institute, through their Treasurer, made a verbal report, and asked leave to complete the same and print it in the Appendix to the Journal, which was granted. [N.]

The Committee on Finance submitted its report, which on motion of Mr. Fred W. Childs was accepted and adopted, and assessments ordered as recommended by the Committee, to be considered due September 1st.

The assessments for the current year are as follows :

St. James', Arlington,	$30 00
St. Peter's, Bennington,	42 00
Christ, Bethel,	12 00
Immanuel, Bellows Falls,	67 50
Good Shepherd, Barre,	6 00
St. Thomas', Brandon,	24 00
St. Michael's Brattleboro,	37 50
St. Paul's Burlington,	140 00
St. Luke's, Chester,	18 00
Christ, Enosburgh,	4 50
St. Matthew's, Enosburgh Falls,	15 00
St. Luke's Fair Haven,	10 00
Christ, Fairfax,	4 50
St. James', Hydeville,	5 00
Christ, Island Pond,	9 00
Zion, Manchester Centre,	21 00
St. Stephen's, Middlebury,	35 00
Union, Montgomery,	6 00
Christ, Montpelier,	75 00
St. Mark's, Newport,	6 00
St. Mary's, Northfield,	15 00
St. Augustine's, North Troy	5 00
St. John's, Poultney,	3 00
Grace, Randolph,	6 00
St. Ann's, Richford,	4 50
St. Paul's, Royalton,	5 00
Trinity, Rutland,	125 00

Grace, Sheldon,	$ 5 00
Trinity, Shelburne,	15 00
St. Luke's, St. Albans,	100 00
St. Andrew's, St. Johnsbury,	42 00
Holy Trinity, Swanton,	12 00
St. Paul's, Vergennes,	24 00
St. John's, West Randolph,	10 00
St. Paul's, White River Junction,	9 00
St. Paul's, Windsor,	15 00
Trinity, Winooski,	5 00
St. James, Woodstock,	15 00
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JESSE BURDETT,
JOHN W. HOBART,
JOSEPH K. EGERTON,
} Finance Committee.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hardy,

Resolved, That the persons who were appointed a Standing Committee of the Convention on Education be continued throughout the year as a Special Committee on Education with obligation to report at the next annual Convention.

On motion of Mr. Temple,

Resolved, That this Convention hereby desires to express its grateful recognition of the loving thoughtfulness of the late Bishop of the Diocese in generously providing in his will substantial aid to the Missionary work of the Diocese, as appears by the report of the Trustees of the Diocese. Which was adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

On motion of the Rev. George Y. Bliss,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be and are hereby tendered to the Rector, Vestrymen and Parishioners of St. Luke's Church, St. Albans, for their most generous hospitality to the members and visitors of this Convention.

The minutes of the proceedings of the Convention were then read by the Secretary and approved.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Hardy,

Resolved, That after the usual Devotional Services the Convention adjourn *sine die.*

After Prayer and Benediction by the Bishop the Convention adjourned.

ARTHUR C. A. HALL,
President of the Convention.

THOMAS H. CANFIELD, *Secretary.*
FRED E. SMITH, *Assistant Secretary.*

[APPENDIX A.]

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, ARLINGTON.

REV. JAMES CURTESS CARNAHAN, Rector.

MARTIN H. DEMING, Senior Warden.

FRANK N. CANFIELD, Junior Warden.

EDWARD C. WOODWORTH, Secretary of Vestry.

MARTIN H. DEMING, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 85, comprising individuals 300, individuals not included in families 15, total 315; Baptisms—Adults 5, children 6, total 11, whole number of baptised persons in the parish 250; Communicants—Number last reported 162, received 1, died 4, present number, males 56, females 103, total 159; Marriages 2; Funerals 7; Sunday School—Teachers: females 6; Pupils: Males 18, females 40, total 58.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion,	$ 3 80
Missions, Diocesan,	37 79
" Domestic, from Sunday School,	25 04
Aged and Infirm Clergy,	6 00
By Sunday School, not included in the above,	9 97
Other Church offerings, viz:	
Promotion of Christianity among Jews,	1 00
Total of offerings,	$83 60

Church Services—Since October 15th, at which time the present Rector took charge, twice each Sunday in the Church, and once every other Sunday in the Union Church at Sunderland; once on each important Holy Day, twice between Sundays in each week during Lent, once each day in Holy Week, and twice on Good Friday.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of stone; valued at $15,000; insurance, $3,500; condition good.

Rectory built of wood; valued at $1,900; insurance, $1,000; condition good. New rectory sold and money used to pay indebtedness and for repairs on rectory.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $266.12; Board of Land Agents, $46.00; annual subscriptions, $180.00; legacies, $90.29; glebe rents, $80.00.

Indebtedness—For Convention Fund, $24.00.

Rector's salary, $700.00; sexton's salary, $100.00; other expenses, $140.00.

JESSE BURDETT,
MARTIN H. DEMING,
J. ROLLIN JUDSON,
EDWARD C. WOODWORTH,
} Lay Delegates.

IMMANUEL CHURCH, BELLOWS FALLS.

REV. DAVID L. SANFORD, Rector,

GEORGE H. BABBITT, Senior Warden.

JOSHUA H. WEBB, Junior Warden.

GEORGE R. WALES, Secretary of Vestry.

JOSHUA H. WEBB, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 160, comprising individuals 556, individuals not included in families about 40, total 596; Baptisms—Adults 1, children 6, total 5; Communicants—Number last year 200, added 18, removed 10, died 3, present number, males 60, females 145, total 205; Marriages, 7; Funerals 10; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 3, females 7, total 10; Pupils: Males 40, females 60, total 100.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion,	$117 24
Missions, Diocesan,	196 00
" Domestic,	34 64
" Foreign,	31 63
" Colored People,	4 24
Education of the Ministry,	5 00
Aged and Infirm Clergy; diocesan,	4 50
" " " general,	7 81
Convention Fund,	25 00
Episcopal Fund,	50 00
By Sunday School, not included in the above,	57 14
Other Church offerings, viz:	
Church building fund,	8 19
Parish paper,	165 00
Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund,	20 55
Rectory repairs,	9 00
Women's Aux., local charity,	69 26
Sundries,	50 28
Women's Aux., boxes abroad,	54 00
Women's Aux., cash,	6 75
Total of offerings,	$916 23

Church Services—Sunday: Morning prayer and sermon at 10.30 A. M., evening prayer and sermon at 6 P. M. Holy Communion first Sunday in month at 12.00 M., other Sundays at 9.30 A. M., also on the chief festivals. Wednesday evening service and address at 7.30. Friday afternoon, at 4.15. Holy Days, 10.30 A. M. Sunday School at noon.

Occasional school house, and cottage services. Special arrangement of services during Lent. Rector is also Priest in charge of Drewsville and parts adjacent in the Diocese of New Hampshire.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of stone; valued at $30,000; insurance, $15,000; condition good.

Rectory built of wood; valued at $1,500; insurance, $1,200; condition fair.

Income—From pew rents, $1,500; offerings made in Church, $100; annual subscriptions, $500; legacies, $135.

Indebtedness—For convention fund, $87; debts of the parish, $325; Bishop's salary, $50.

Rector's salary, $1,200; sexton's salary, $150; expenses for music, $500; other expenses, $100.

JAMES H. WILLIAMS,
ZINA H. ALLBEE,
GEO. O. GUILD,
JOHN W. FLINT,
} Lay Delegates.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BENNINGTON.

REV. GEORGE LYNDE RICHARDSON, Rector.

JOHN T. SHURTLEFF, Senior Warden.

HENRY O. HARWOOD, Junior Warden.

HENRY O. HARWOOD, Secretary of Vestry.

HENRY O. HARWOOD, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families about 120, individuals about 500; Baptisms—Adults 1, children 3, total 4; whole number of baptized persons in the parish about 380; Communicants—Number last reported 165, received 3, removed 26, died 3, present number males 50, females 115, total 191; Sunday school—Teachers: Males 2, females 9, total 11; Pupils: Males 37, females 33, total 70.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion,	$ 7 60
Missions, Diocesan,	40 00
" Domestic,	9 26
" Foreign,	9 25
Education of Children of Clergy Fund,	9 15
B. and C. P. B. Society,	1 77
By Sunday School, not included in the above,	41 38
Other Church offerings, viz:	
Conversion of Jews,	1 00
St. Mary's Guild,	186 36
St. Catharine's Guild,	5 00
St. Agnes' Guild,	92 32
Missionary Committee (in clothing and supplies)	95 88
Total of offerings,	$498 97
"Camp Comfort" for Missions (various objects)	$36 50

Church Services—Up to the time of the resignation of Rev. W. B. Walker (Sept. 8, 1893) services as in last report. Sept. 10-24 (inclusive) lay service once each Sunday. Oct. 1—Dec. 24 (inclusive) services twice each Sunday, Rev. C. S. Hale officiating. Dec. 31—Mar. 18 (1894), lay service once each Sunday and on Ash Wednesday. The present rector took charge on Easter Sunday, and held three services that day, the Holy Communion being celebrated twice.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of brick; valued at $4,500; no insurance; condition, inside newly painted and decorated, outside needing repairs.

Rectory built of wood; valued at $2,300; insurance, $1,500; condition good.

Income—From offerings made in church, $215.41; annual subscriptions, $931.69; Norton fund, $411; St. Mary's Guild, $75; St. Peter's Guild, $7.75; L. R. Graves, $50; other sources, $15.

Indebtedness—Debts of the Parish, $286.66.

For supply, $293.50; rector's salary, $612; sexton's salary, $103.50; expenses for music, $199; other expenses, $196.24; repairs on church and rectory, $272.40.

LUMAN P. NORTON,
W. G. RICHARDSON,
LYMAN F. ABBOTT,
JOHN H. NORTON,
} Lay Delegates.

CHRIST CHURCH, BETHEL.

AARON H. WILSON, Senior Warden.

MARCH M. WILSON, Junior Warden.

GUY WILSON, Secretary of Vestry.

GUY WILSON, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 27, comprising individuals 92; Communicants—Number last reported 53, removed 2, died 1, present number males 11, females 39, total 50; Marriages 1; Funer-

als 2; Sunday school—Teachers: Males 1, females 2, total 3; Pupils: Males 10, females 15, total 25.

Offerings—Missions, Diocesan,	$12 00
Aged and Infirm Clergy,	2 50
Convention Fund,	8 00
Episcopal Fund,	5 00
Other Church offerings, viz:	
Altar expenses,	3 89
For repairing organ,	5 00
Other Church expenses,	15 07
Total of offerings,	$51 46

Church services—From Easter, 1893, to February, 4, 1894, by the Rector, except one Sunday in the month absent at Royalton, when there was lay reading. Lay reading every Sunday from February 4, 1894, to Easter, 1894.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $2,000; insurance $1,500; condition good.

Rectory built of wood; valued at $1,200; insurance, $800; condition fair.

INCOME.

Board of Land Agents,	$ 75 00
From Lillie Fund,	30 00
Smith Fund,	42 53
Flynn Fund,	9 00
Town of Bethel,	12 36
Offerings in Church,	53 93
Annual subscriptions,	219 50
Raised to repair organ and kalsomine Church,	83 70
Raised to insure Church,	34 21
Miscellaneous,	27 42
Total,	$587 65

EXPENSES.

Indebtedness Easter Monday, 1893,	$ 8 07
Kalsomining Church,	28 50
Repairing Pipe Organ,	50 93
Insuring Church,	45 00
Diocesan Missions,	12 00
Convention expenses,	8 00
Rector's salary,	363 16
Sexton's salary,	6 80
Bishop's salary,	5 00
Aged and Infirm Clergy,	2 50
Altar expenses,	3 89
Rectory repairs,	3 75
Choir, music and prayer books,	5 15
Lights,	1 00
Delegates to Convention,	4 70
Other expenses,	29 28
On hand Easter Monday, 1894.	15 42
Total,	$587 65

Indebtedness, none.

S. H. CHASE, }
GUY WILSON, } Lay Delegates.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, BRANDON.

REV. WILLIAM FARRAR WEEKS, Rector.

EBENEZER J. ORMSBEE, Senior Warden.

CHARLES W. BRIGGS, Junior Warden.

JOHN L. KNIGHT, Secretary of Vestry.

GEORGE BRIGGS, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 72, comprising individuals 266, individuals not included in families 11, total 277; Baptisms—Adults 2, children 3, total 5; whole number baptized persons in the

parish 197; Confirmations—Females 4, total 4; Communicants—Number last reported 111, added 4, received 2, removed 6, died 3, present number males 18, females 90, total, 108; Marriages 7, Funerals 14; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 1, females 3, total 4; Pupils: Males 14, females 19, total 33.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion,	$10 75
Missions, Diocesan,	35 68
" Domestic,	1 42
" Foreign,	2 18
By Sunday School, not included in the above,	6 52
Other Church offerings, viz:	
Easter offerings,	43 15
Sunday School, for Missions,	7 53
In answer to 10 per cent. assessment for Missions, as ordered by Convention,	4 00
Total of offerings,	$111 23

Church Services—The Holy Eucharist is celebrated the first and third Sunday in each month at 10.30 A. M.; all other Sundays at 7.30 A. M.; on all Holy Days at 9.00 A. M. Morning Prayer every Sunday at 10.30 A. M. Evening Prayer every Sunday at 7.00 P. M. Children's Service first Sunday in each month at 5.00 P. M. Extra Services during Advent and Lent. Service every Friday evening.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of stone; valued at $15,500; insurance, $3,000; condition good.

Conant House, brick; valued at $3,000; insurance, $1,250; condition good.

Rectory built of wood; valued at $2,000; insurance, $1,000; condition good.

Merrill Block, brick; valued at $6,000; insurance, $4,000.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $391.61; Board of Land Agents, $100; annual subscriptions, $131.50; rents and interest on legacies, *924.66.

Indebtedness—Incumbrance on Church Property to wit: on "Merrill Block," $400; other debts of the Parish, $82.

Rector's salary, $1,000; sexton's salary, $60; expenses for music, $80.25; other expenses, $316.18.

EBENEZER J. ORMSBEE,
GEORGE BRIGGS,
J. P. REED,
} Lay Delegates.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, BRATTLEBORO.

REV. WILLIAM H. COLLINS, Rector.

KITTREDGE HASKINS, Senior Warden.

WILLIAM AUSTINE, Junior Warden.

ARTHUR W. CHILDS, Secretary of Vestry.

C. ROYAL TYLER, K. HASKINS, Licensed Lay Readers.

Families 60, comprising individuals 250, individuals not included in families 20, total 270; Baptisms—Adults 3, children 2, total 5; Confirmation—Males 1, females 1, total 2; Communicants—Number last reported 138, added 9, received 2, removed 16, died 3, present number males 35, females 95, total 130; Marriages 4, funerals 5; Sunday

*$93.76 of this accrued in previous years.

*$95.48 of this was on old indebtedness.

School—Teachers: Males 2, females 5, total 7; Pupils: Males 28, females 34, total 62; Number of youths pursuing liberal studies with a view to the Ministry, 1.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion,	$116 91
Missions, Diocesan,	88 00
" Indian,	1 00
Bishop Bissell's Fund,	12 65
Aged and Infirm Clergy,	4 56
By Sunday School, not included in the above,	26 85
Other Church offerings, viz:	
Christmas offering for the poor,	18 00
Christmas expenses,	86 25
Children's Lenten offering,	84 54
Total of offerings,	$338 76

Church Services—Three every Lord's Day, on all Holy Days, with four week day services during Lent, and daily in Holy Week. The Holy Communion is celebrated on every Lord's Day and on all Holy Days. The Rector also celebrates the Holy Communion in Christ Church, Guilford, where he is Priest in charge.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood and brick; valued at $6,000; insurance, $4,000; condition good.

Rectory built of wood; valued at $5,000; insurance, $3,000; condition good.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $246.46; annual subscriptions, $974.86; other sources, $766.99.

Indebtedness, $625.00.

Rector's salary $1,400; sexton's salary $90; expenses for music $162.80; other expenses $433.96.

KITTREDGE HASKINS.
FRED W. CHILDS.
ARTHUR W. CHILDS. } Lay Delegates.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BURLINGTON.

REV. J. ISHAM BLISS, D. D., Rector.

REV. GEORGE Y. BLISS, Assistant Minister.

DANIEL W. ROBINSON, Senior Warden.

HEMAN W. ALLEN, Junior Warden.

ELIAS LYMAN, Secretary of Vestry.

Families 230, comprising individuals 903, individuals not included in families 191, total 1,094; Baptisms—Adults 13, children 22, total 35; Confirmations—Males 16, females 15; total 31; Communicants—Number last reported 550, added 41, removed 32, died 13, present number males 191, females 355, total 546; Marriages 15; Funerals 22; Sunday school—Teachers: Males 3, females 16, total 19; Pupils: Males 110, females 84, total 194.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion and offerings for the poor,	$ 787 44
Missions, Diocesan,	574 02
" General,	216 34
" Colored People,	40 00
Education of the Ministry,	110 00
Aged and Infirm Clergy,	47 56
Sunday School,	80 00
Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund,	224 78
By Sunday School, not included in the above,	242 48
Other Church offerings, viz:	
Missions to the Jews,	12 00
Mary Fletcher Hospital,	35 58
Adams City Mission,	82 91
Total of offerings,	$2,453 11

Church Services—Sunday mornings and evenings ; Friday evenings ; on the Holy Days prescribed by the Prayer Book; daily during Lent. The Holy Communion regularly at midday on the first Sunday of the month, and on the greater festivals, and frequent celebrations at midday and at an earlier hour at other times. The Parish has received during the year a handsome, gold-lined silver chalice from a lady of the Parish ; a costly Bible from Mr. H. LeG. B. Cannon and his wife ; a beautiful set of silk hangings for the lectern and pulpit from Mrs. Virginia C. Leach ; two altar service books from Mrs. Heman W. Allen ; prayer books for the chancel of the church and chapel from St. Paul's Guild and prayer books for the chapel from the Ladies' Society.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of stone, and chapel built of stone ; valued at $53,000 ; insurance—$21,000 church, $8,700 chapel and organ, $3,000 church organ ; condition good.

Rectory built of stone and wood ; valued at $10,000 ; insurance $6,000, rectory and furniture ; condition good.

Sexton's house built of wood ; valued at $2,000 ; insurance $1,000.

Dwelling house built of brick ; valued at $5,000 ; insurance $2,000.

Income—From pew rents and subscriptions $5,642.56 ; offerings made in Church, $852.77.

No direct indebtedness.

There is an indebtedness of $1,783.93 for repairs on dwelling house given us last year, which indebtedness is being reduced from time to time by the rent received.

Rector's salary $2,000; Sexton's salary $350; Assistant Rector's $600; expenses for music $1,738.99; other expenses $1,794.59.

HEMAN W. ALLEN,
HENRY H. ROSS,
F. C. KENNEDY,
JOHN A. ARTHUR,
HENRY WELLS,
DANIEL W. ROBINSON,
} Lay Delegates.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CHESTER.

REV. THOMAS S. OCKFORD, Rector.

OSCAR MILLER, Senior Warden.

CHARLES M. WEBB, Junior Warden.

SEWELL J. MUZZY, Secretary of Vestry.

Families 41, comprising individuals 135, individuals not included in families 5, total 140; Baptisms—Children 2, total 2; whole number of baptized persons in the Parish 110; Communicants—Number last reported 76; received 4, removed 2, died 1, present number males 18, females 59, total 77; Marriages 1; Funerals 7; Sunday school—Teachers: Males 1, females 2, total 3; Pupils: Males 9, females 23, total 32.

Offerings—	Alms at the Holy Communion,	$12 54
	Missions, Diocesan,	46 00
	Aged and Infirm Clergy,	2 00
	Other Church offerings,	60 00
	Total of offerings,	$120 54

Church Services—Twice each Sunday; Holy Communion first and third Sundays of each month, on the greater festivals and on many of the Saints' days, and on Ash Wednesday, and the Thursdays in Lent; three week-day services in Lent; daily in Holy Week.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $12,000; insurance $5,000; condition good.

Rectory built of wood; valued at $2,000; insurance $1500; condition fair.

Income—From pew rents, $430; from offerings made in Church, $39.17; from Board of Land Agents, $75; from annual subscriptions, $20; from Auxiliary, $148.

Indebtedness—$50.

Rector's salary, $525; expenses for music, $60; sexton's salary, $52; other expenses, $75.16.

A. A. STEVENS,
A. N. CHANDLER, } Lay Delegates.

CALVARY CHURCH, EAST BERKSHIRE.

REV. FOREST H. BLUNT, Rector.

E. B. SMITH, Senior Warden.

L. S. PERLEY, Junior Warden.

H. B. LOVERIN, Secretary of Vestry.

Families 26, comprising individulas 73, individulas not included in families 4, total 77; Baptisms—Children 3; Communicants—Number last reported 42, received 1,

died 1, present number, males, 13, females 28, total 41; Marriages 1; Funerals 5; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 1, females 4, total 5; Pupils: Males 14, females 24, total 38.

Offerings—Missions, Diocesan,	$13 52
Aged and Infirm Clergy,	1 89
Other Church offerings, viz:	
Woman's Auxiliary meeting,	8 00
Total of offerings,	$23 41

Church Services—Every Sunday morning during the year, Ash Wednesday, Fridays in Lent, Ascension Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas. Holy Communion the first Sunday in each month. Rev. J. Tragitt closed his work here Easter Sunday 1894. I took charge of the parish the fifth Sunday after Easter. F. H. Blunt.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of stone; valued at $6,000, insurance $950; condition good.

Rectory built of wood; valued at $800; insurance $500; condition good.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $300; Board of Land Agents, $50.

Indebtedness—None.

Rector's salary, $320; sexton's salary, $15; other expenses, $50.

CHARLES H. STRATTON,
EDWARD W. SMITH, } Lay Delegates.

CHRIST CHURCH, ENOSBURGH.

REV. EDWARD SAWYER STONE, Rector.

CALEB R. BREWER, Senior Warden.

FRANK CASSIDY, Junior Warden.

VAN E. PERLEY, Secretary of Vestry.

CALEB R. BREWER, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 20, comprising individual 67, individuals not included in families 6, total 73; Baptisms—Children 2; Communicants—Number last reported 33, received 2, removed 6, present number, males 8, females 21, total 29; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 2, females 1, total 3; Pupils: Males 14, females 8, total 22.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion,	$ 7 27
Missions, Diocesan,	32 72
To the Jews,	1 94
Aged and Infirm Clergy,	1 36
Sunday School Lenten offering for Missions,	6 35
By Sunday School, not included in the above,	4 15
Other Church offerings viz:	
Easter offering for endowment,	11 81
Bishop's visitation,	1 70
Memorial Bishop Bissell,	87
Total of offerings,	$67 57

Church Services—Evening prayer every Sunday except the first Sunday of each month, when there are morning prayer and the celebration of the Holy Communion; celebrations on some of the Holy Days; a regular Wednesday service through Advent and Lent.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $2,000; insurance, $1,000; condition good, but wants painting.

Rectory, same as St. Matthew's, Enosburgh Falls.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $205.76; Board of Land Agents, $95; legacies, $6; Board of Missions, $100; total, $406.76.

Indebtedness—None.

Rector's salary, $387.41; sexton's salary, $10; other expenses, $7.82; total, $405.23.

C. R. BREWER, Lay Delegate.

ST. MATTHEWS' CHURCH, ENOSBURGH FALLS.

REV. EDWARD SAWYER STONE, Rector.

JAMES W. BEATTY, Senior Warden.

WILLIAM R. HUTCHINSON, Junior Warden.

HENRY BURTON DICKINSON, Secretary of Vestry.

H. AUG. CRAMTON, ANSON R. BELL, Licensed Lay Readers.

Families 56, comprising individuals 168, individuals not included in families 17, total 185; Baptisms—Adults 4, children 10, total 14; Whole number of baptized persons in the Parish, 162; Confirmations—Males 7, females 2, total 9; Communicants—Number last reported 80, added 15, received 7, removed 6, died 3, present number males 25, females 68, total 93; Marriages 3; Funerals 7; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 1, females 5, total 6; Pupils: Males 18, females 27, total 45.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion,		$21 08
Missions, Diocesan,		44 98
" Domestic,		2 50
" Foreign,		2 50
To the Jews,		5 45
Aged and Infirm Clergy,		3 76
Sunday School, Lenten for Missions,		13 00
By Sunday School, not included in the above,		10 58
Other Church offerings, viz: for		
S. S. Library,	10 00	
Children's Xmas tree,	5 70	
Brother's of Nazareth,	2 50	
Memorial Bishop Bissell,	2 05	
Bishops' visitation,	5 56	
Total of offerings,		$129 66

Church Services—Sunday mornings and evenings, and Friday evenings; daily through Lent. Holy Communion weekly, on the Holy Days, and daily through Lent.

We are glad to note the following private benefactions:—By one member, the replacing of the stained glass gable-window, broken out by the wind, and the ensuring against future accidents by the gift of double windows for the west end of the church; by another member, clapboarding and finishing the Rectory stable. Others gave a new Prayer Book for chancel and altar book, green hangings, candle lighter, and wardrobe for Vestments.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $3,000; insurance, $2,250; condition good.

Rectory built of wood; valued at $2,500; insurance, $1,000; condition good.

Income—From offerings made in Church and annual subscriptions, $498.23; Board of Land Agents, $95; Board of Missions, $100; special subscription, $450; total, $1,143.23.

Indebtedness—None.

Rector's salary, $480.31; sexton's salary, $18.75; expenses for music, new organ, $450; other expenses $194.17; total, $1,143.23.

C. L. MARSH,
W. R. HUTCHINSON,
J. H. MEARS,
} Lay Delegates.

CHRIST CHURCH, GUILFORD.

REV. WILLLIAM H. COLLINS, Priest in Charge.

REV. ALLAN D. BROWN, Deacon officiating.

JOSEPH M. HOUGHTON, Senior Warden.

W HERBERT JACOBS, Junior Warden.

JOSEPH M. HOUGHTON, Secretary of Vestry.

Families 6, comprising individuals 22, individuals not included in families 2, total 24; Confirmations—Females 2, total 2; Communicants—Number last reported 12, added 2, received 2, died 1, present number males 3, females 12, total 15; Funerals 1.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion,	$19 80
Missions, Diocesan,	16 20
" Domestic, Alaska,	1 00
Aged and Infirm Clergy,	2 00
Episcopal Fund,	2 00
Other Church offerings, viz:	
Society Prom. of Christianity among Jews,	1 50
Bissell Fund,	3 66
Total of offerings,	$46 16

Church Services—One service on each Sunday. Celebration of Holy Communion on one Sunday in each month, the Rector of St. Michael's, Brattleboro, officiating.

The Parish property has been transferred to the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $4,000; insurance $2,200; condition, needs some repairs.

Rectory built of wood; valued at $1,200; insurance $800; condition, needs some repairs.

Income—From offerings made in church, $50.34; Board of Land Agents, $50; donations, $30.

Indebtedness—None.

Expenses, $130.34.

WILLIAM H. JACOBS,
JOSEPH M. HOUGHTON, } Lay Delegates.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, HIGHGATE.

PARKER LEACH, Senior Warden.

JOHN WHITTEMORE, Junior Warden.

F. BARNBY LEACH, Secretary of Vestry.

PARKER LEACH, W. H. CAMBRIDGE, Licensed Lay Readers.

Families 19, comprising individuals 62, individuals not included in families 8, total 70; Baptisms—Adults 2, children 9, total 11; whole number of baptized persons in the Parish 56; Communicants—Number last reported 26;

added 1, died 2, present number, males 5, females 20, total 25; Marriages 1; Funerals 6; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 1, females 2, total 3; Pupils: Males 10, females 12, total 22; number of youth pursuing liberal studies with a view to the Ministry 1.

Offerings—Missions, Diocesan,	$14 44
Sunday School, Easter Offerings, for Missions,	2 00
Total of offerings,	$16 44

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of brick; valued at $3,000; insurance $1,500 on church, $500 on furniture, total $2,000; condition good.

Income—From offerings made in church, $80.29; from annual subscriptions at the rate of $150; annunity $50, when we have a resident Rector.

Indebtedness—None.

Lay Reader's salary, $3.00 per Sunday; Sexton's salary $20.00; other expenses, $15.64.

PARKER LEACH,
Lay Delegate.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, HYDEVILLE, (Castleton).

The REV. JOHN ANKETELL, Rector.

WALTER METCALF, Senior Warden.

RUSSELL W. HYDE, Junior Warden.

RUSSELL W. HYDE, Secretary of Vestry.

SAMUEL E. HANGER, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 19, comprising individuals 84, individuals not included in families 12, total 96; Baptisms—Children 1; whole number of Baptized persons in Parish 96; Confirmations—Males 3, females 2, total 5; Communicants—Number last reported 47, added 5, received 1, removed 3, present number, males 17, females 33, total 49; Marriage—1; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 1, females 2, total 3; Pupils: Males 14, females 9, total 23. (Castleton, Teachers 3; Pupils 19).

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion,	$28 78
Missions, Diocesan,	7 14
Aged and Infirm Clergy,	2 00
Episcopal Fund,	4 00
By Sunday School, not included in the above,	9 54
" " " Easter,	14 57
Other Church offerings,	28 55
Total of offerings,	$90 55

Church Services have been held regularly each Lord's Day, and the Holy Communion administered twice a month at Hydeville. Catechizing on the third Sunday of each month. Many additional services on Sunday and week days have been held by Mr. Hanger, to whom great thanks are justly due. The Woman's Auxiliary of this Parish has also done noble work during the past year. The parish has been weakened some by the removal of members to other towns.

Castleton is an unorganized mission of St. James', Hydeville, (which village is in the township of Castleton) and is important as the spot where Church services were first held in Rutland county before the American Revolution. More progress has been made during the last two years than in

twenty years next preceding. Our tastefully decorated Chapel we call St. Faith's, and we are not without hopes of building a Church in the near future. A Sunday School has been organized by our faithful women, which already numbers nineteen pupils and is constantly increasing. Thanks are due to our lay readers, Messrs. Hanger and Maynard and to Mr. M. H. Westcott, of Fair Haven, for valuable assistance rendered. The recent visitation of the Bishop (the first for many years), when three were confirmed, has also been a blessing.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood ; valued at $3,500 ; insurance, $1,750 ; condition, needs repairs.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $66.47 ; Board of Land Agents, $100 ; annual subscriptions, $150.

Indebtedness—For Convention Fund, $4; Bishop's salary, $2.

Rector's salary, $150 ; Sexton's salary, $25 ; other expenses, $87.

WALTER METCALF,
Lay Delegate.

CHRIST CHURCH, ISLAND POND.

REV. THOMAS BELL, Rector.

JOHN REEVE, Senior Warden.

WM. H. BISHOP, Junior Warden.

JAMES STRATHERN, Secretary of Vestry.

Families 45 ; Baptisms—Children 13; Communicants—Number last reported 66, received 1, removed 2, present

number 65; Marriages 2; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 1, females 6, total 7; Pupils: Males 16, females 35, total 51.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion,	$ 2 00
Missions, Diocesan,	33 00
By Sunday School for Missions,	12 74
Aged and infirm Clergy,	1 00
For Sunday School purposes,	42 53
Other Church offerings, viz:	
N. Y. B. & Pr. B. Society (Witsunday),	1 27
For Rectory Fund,	196 36
Total of offerings,	$288 90

Church Services—Sunday, Morning and Evening Prayer. Holy Communion, first Sunday in month, Great Festivals, and every Sunday in Advent and Lent.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $7,000; insurance $3,500; condition good.

Rectory fund of Christ Church—Building lot (paid for) $180.50; cash in Island Pond National Bank $286.49; cash in hands of Treasurer $1.10; total $468.09.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $242.06; Board of Land Agents, $95.00; annual subscriptions, $362.65; Missionary Board, $300.00.

Indebtedness—$82.00.

Rector's salary, $800; expenses for music, $38.68; other expenses, $113.24.

JOHN REEVE,
W. M. BISHOP, } Lay Delegates.

ZION CHURCH, MANCHESTER CENTER.

JAMES C. FLANDERS, Priest in charge.

EDMOND L. WYMAN, Senior Warden.

JOHN H. WHIPPLE, Junior Warden.

CHARLES U. WAY, Secretary of Vestry.

EDMOMD L. WYMAN, JOHN H. WHIPPLE, Licensed Lay Readers.

Families 52, comprising individuals 170, individuals not included in families 11, total 181; Baptisms—Children 3; whole number of baptized persons in the Parish 133; Confirmations—Males 3, females 4, total 7; Communicants—Number last reported 94, added 7, received 3, removed 5, died 1, present numder males 30, females 68, total 98; Marriages 2; Funerals 5; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 2, females 5, total 7; Pupils: Males 21, females [illegible]otal 53.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion,	$ 18 35
Missions, Diocesan,	37 40
" Domestic, } General,	12 53
" Foreign, }	
" Jews,	3 65
" Alaska,	9 00
Bishop's visitation,	8 32
Aged and Infirm Clergy,	2 78
Through Ladies' Society,	87 71
S. S. Lenten offering for Missions,	28 21
Young Ladies' Guild,	150 92
By Sunday School, not included in above,	16 35
Total of offerings,	$375 22

Church Services—Sunday, Morning and Evening, with celebration of the Holy Communion on the first Sunday in each month, and on all Festivals. Weekly Service Wednesday Evenings. Lenten Services Wednesdays and Fridays and daily during Holy Week.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $5,000; insurance $3,000; condition, in good order, has been nicely painted.

Rectory built of wood; valued at $2,200; insurance $1,500; condition good, has been newly painted.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $556.91; Board of Land Agents, $75; Glebe rents, $50.33; Mrs. Schuyler Skaats, $50; interest Baxter Fund, $15; Ladies' Society, $45; Young Ladies' Guild, $130.62; other sources, $20.

Indebtedness, none.

Rector's salary, $750 and use of rectory; sexton's salary, $66.50; expenses for music, $23.30; other expenses, $81.97; painting church and rectory, $172.12.

EDMOND L. WYMAN,
CHARLES B. ROWE,
CHARLES U. WAY,
} Lay Delegates.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, MIDDLEBURY.

REV. SIMON B. BLUNT, Rector.

N. S. DEWEY, Senior Warden.

E. E. RICH, Junior Warden.

H. L. SHELDON, Secretary of Vestry.

Families 37, comprising individuals 138, individuals not included in families 25, total 163; Baptisms—Adults 5, children 9, total 14; whole number of baptized persons in the Parish 163; Confirmations—Males 8, females 12, total 20;

Communicants—Number last reported 98, added 20, died 8; present number, males 31, females 83, total 114; Marriages 6; Funerals 12; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 1, females 5, total 6; Pupils: Males 18, females 19, total 37; Number of youth pursuing liberal studies with a view to the Ministry, 1 at Middlebury College, 2 at St. Stephen's College.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion,	$ 73 05
Missions, Diocesan,	50 00
Convention Fund,	30 00
Episcopal Fund,	5 00
By Sunday School, not included in the above,	36 08
Total of offerings,	$194 13

Church Services—Since Advent there have been a total of 173 services; of these 46 were celebrations of the Holy Communion. On all Sunday's celebration, matins and even songs; on all Holy Days celebration only; on all Wednesdays instruction, "The Church in the Bible"; on all Fridays, litany and address; daily services throughout Advent and Lent.

Church edifice built of stone; valued at $10,000; insurance $4,200; condition good.

Rectory built of brick; valued at $1,200; insurance $1,000; condition good.

Income—From offerings made in Church $316.08; annual subscriptions $327.34; legacies $495; for choir vestments $57.98.

Indebtedness—Incumbrance on rectory property $700; other debts of the Parish $200; *Convention Fund $20; *Bishop's salary $5.

*This is at time of making up report, but will be paid in full before Convention.

Rector's salary $700; sexton's salary $100; expenses for music $102; other expenses $103.70.

P. F. CHAPMAN,
N. L. DEWEY,
J. E. FISHER,
} Lay Delegates.

UNION CHURCH, MONTGOMERY.

REV. FOREST H. BLUNT, Rector.

JOEL C. GOODSPEED, Senior Warden.

CHARLES P. CLAPP, Junior Warden.

OTIS N. KELTON, Secretary of Vestry.

Families 16, comprising individuals 50, individuals not included in families 24, total 74; Baptisms—Children 3; total 3; whole number of baptized persons in the Parish 63; Communicants—Number last reported 35, received 2, removed 1, died 3, present number, males 6, females 28; Marriages 1; Funerals 3; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 2, females 3, total 5; Pupils: Males 4, females 20, total 24.

Offerings	--Missions, Diocesan,	$10 00
	Convention Fund,	4 00
	Episcopal Fund,	4 00
	Other Church offerings,	185 00
	Total of offerings,	$203 00

Church Services—Every Sunday afternoon. After this there will be Morning Prayer, and Holy Communion once a month.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $3,500; insurance $2,000.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $265; Board of Land Agents, $75; legacies, $18.

Indebtedness—None.

Rector's salary, $260; sexton's salary, $20; other expenses, $25.

J. C. GOODSPEED, Lay Delegate.

CHRIST CHURCH, MONTPELIER.

REV. A. N. LEWIS, Rector.

CHARLES DEWEY, Senior Warden.

FRED. E. SMITH, Junior Warden.

O. D. CLARK, Secretary of Vestry.

Families ——, comprising individuals 318, individuals not included in families 43, total 361; Baptisms—Adults 4, children 11, total 15; Confirmations—Males 6, females 12, total 18; Communicants—Number last reported 185, received 19, added 6, died 4, removed 6, present number, females 136, males 66, total 201; Marriages 6; Funerals 9; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 2, females 8, total 10; Pupils 90.

Offerings—Easter Offering,		$583 88
	Alms at the Holy Communion,	96 68
	Missions, Diocesan,	198 67
	" Special,	3 00

Convention Fund,	$35 00
By Sunday School, not included in the above,	40 73
By Sunday School, Lenten Offering for Missions,	42 26
Other Church offerings, viz.:	
For Sunday School,	67 09
Gift to Rector,	23 00
Lenten expenses,	35 00
Ladies Guild,	347 54
King's Daughters,	298 93
St. Margaret's Society,	20 25
Aristoi Fraternity,	5 90
Total of offerings,	$1,742 88

Church Services—Sunday morning and evening, Friday evening; Wednesday and Friday evening during Lent, on the Holy Days and Daily during Holy Week.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of granite; valued at $30,000; insurance $10,000; condition good.

Rectory built of wood, solid walls, slate roof; valued at $5,000; insurance $3,000; condition good.

Income—From pew rents, $1,244.18; offerings made in Church, $1,004.62; Town Gospel Fund, $18.06; rents, $375.

Indebtedness—Incumbrance on Church Property, $2,137; Convention Fund, $35.

Rector's salary, $1,200; sexton's salary, $108.31; expenses for music, $699.30; other expenses and repairs and interest, $655.62.

CHARLES DEWEY,
FRED E. SMITH,
LOUIS P. GLEASON,
W. H. COWELL,
} Lay Delegates.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, NEWPORT.

REV. ALEX AUGUSTUS CAIRNS, Rector.

DR. C. V. BOGUE, Senior Warden.

WALTER ABBOTT, Secretary of Vestry.

THEOPHILUS GROUT, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 36, comprising individuals, 109, individuals not included in families 7, total 116, about; Baptisms—Adults 1; Communicants—number last reported 64; present number 31, about; Marriages 2; Sunday School—Teachers, Males 2, females 3, total 5; Pupils about 30.

Offerings—The previous Rector left no statement.

Church Services—Holy Commnnion every Sunday but the third; Service every Sunday morning and evening, service every Friday evening.

This report is not at all complete on account of the unsettled state of affairs of the parish prior to my taking charge in May, 1894.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $3,000; insurance $1,500; condition good.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $149.61; from Board of Land Agents, $50.

Indebtedness—For convention fund, $4.00.

The convention fund assessment not paid on account of unsettled state of affairs but we hope to pay it shortly.

Rector's salary, $149.61; expenses for music, $1.00; sexton's salary; $38.20; other expenses, $22.45.

THEOPHILUS GROUT, Lay Delegate.

This report is very incomplete on account of the unsettled state of affairs but is the best that can now be given.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, NORTHFIELD.

REV. GEORGE J. SUTHERLAND, M. A., Priest in Charge.

DR. GEORGE NICHOLS, Senior Warden.

THEODORE A. WILEY, Junior Warden.

F. L. HOWE, Secretary of Vestry.

Families 38, comprising individuals 76, individuals not included in families 23, total 99; Baptisms—Adults 4, children 2, total 6, whole number of baptized persons in the parish 94; Communicants—Number last reported 68, added 1, removed 7, died 2, present number males 15, females 45, total 60; Funerals 2; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 1, females 5, total 6; Pupils: Males 28, females 25, total 53.

Offerings—Missions, Diocesan,	$17 33
" Domestic, S. S. Lenten offering,	12 63
" Foreign, " " "	12 63
" Diocesan, S. S. Easter offering,	12 63
St. Clement's Mission, Labrador,	25 00
Missionary in Utah,	5 00
Convention Fund, '93, '94,	25 00
By Sunday School, not included in the above,	28 13
Other Church offerings, viz.:	
Penny offerings, Women's Auxiliary,	6 74
Parish House Fund,	2 96
St. Mary's Guild,	35 00
Total of offerings,	$183 05

Church Services—Sunday Services have been held regularly with the exception of one Sunday until the arrival of the present minister in January. Since then, every Sunday morning and evening. Lenten Services Wednesdays and Fridays, and daily during Holy Week. Celebration of the Holy Communion first Sunday of the month, and on the greater festivals.

A very handsome flagon was presented to the Church on Easter Day by Mrs. George Nichols and Mrs. Elliott Smith.

LAY DELEGTES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $4,000; insurance $2,500; condition good.

Rectory built of wood; valued at $2,000; insurance, $1,500; condition good.

Parish House built of wood; valued at $1,000; insurance $600; condition fair.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $338.44; Board of Land Agents, $75; subscriptions, $37.25; legacies, $67.05; rents, $267.27; Ladies' Society, $35; gift towards repairs, $15.

Indebtedness—Incumbrance on Church property, $532; other debts of the parish, $35.

Rector's salary, $700; sexton's salary, $20; expenses for music, $60; other expenses, $69.

GEORGE NICHOLS,
JOSEPH K. EGERTON, } Lay Delegates.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, POULTNEY.

REV. EDWARD H. RANDALL, Rector.

S. B. WOODWORTH, Senior Warden.

W. B. PRINDLE, Junior Warden.

ARTHUR E. HORTON, Secretary of Vestry.

G. H. RANDALL, J. ROSS ROBERTS, Licensed Lay Readers.

Families 66, comprising individuals 273; Baptisms—Adults 10, children 6, total 16; whole number baptized persons in the parish 231; Confirmations—Males 8, females 17; Communicants—Number last reported 108, added 28, received 4, died 3, present number males 30, females 107, total 137; Funerals 14; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 2, females 5, total 7; Pupils: Males 23, females 28, total 51.

Offerings—Alms at Holy Communion,	$ 4 25
Missions, Diocesan,	55 34
By Sunday School, not included in the above For General Missions.	25 13
Other Church offerings, viz.: For Jews,	1 36
For General Missions,	3 88
Total of offerings,	$89 96

Church Services—Services regularly on all Sundays and greater festivals, in Trinity Church; on alternate Sundays in St. John's Church; alternate Sundays in St. Paul's Church, Wells, and occasional services in the Methodist Church, Middletown Springs, when the Holy Communion was administered.

I have just revised the Register of this Parish, which will, in some measure, account for a few changes in the above

report. Who are Communicants within the meaning of existing canons, it is not quite easy to say.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $7,000; insurance $2,500; condition good.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $318.04; Board of Land Agents, $95; annual subscriptions, $334.11; legacies, $20; rent of school house, $60.

Indebtedness—Debts of the Parish, $150; Convention Fund, $20; Bishop's salary, $5.

Rector's salary, $800; sexton's salary, $25; expenses for music, $58; other expenses, $35.

S. B. WOODWORTH,
ARTHUR E. HORTON,
EDWIN A. BURNETT,
} Lay Delegates.

GRACE CHURCH, RANDOLPH.

REV. HOMER WHITE, S. T. D., Rector.

JAMES C. FARGO, Senior Warden.

WILLIAM E. BLODGETT, Junior Warden.

HENRY C. GILBERT, Secretary of Vestry.

Families 16, comprising individuals 48; individuals not included in families 4, total 52; whole number of baptized persons in the parish 40; Communicants—Number last reported 30, received 4, died 1, present number males 8, fe-

males 25, total 33; Funerals 1; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 1, females 2, total 3; Pupils: Females 20; Number of youths pursuing liberal studies with a view to the ministry, 2.

Offerings—Missions, Diocesan,	$ 27 50
" Domestic, S. S. Lenten offering,	3 22
" Foreign, S. S. Lenten offering,	3 21
" Colored People, Clothing by Woman's Auxiliary,	10 00
Education of the Ministry,	2 00
To N. Y. Mission Rooms,	2 00
Bishop's Chair, by Jno. Brandi,	35 25
Insurance, by Jno. Brandi,	7 20
Furnishing Vestry, etc.,	4 93
Other Church offerings, viz:	
By Woman's Auxiliary, painting Church,	75 00
" " " clothing to South Boston,	30 00
By Woman's Auxiliary, to Organist,	10 00
To Diocesan Branch,	5 00
Total of offerings,	$215 31

Church Services—Sunday afternoons and Wednesdays in Lent. Holy Communion the second Sunday in the month.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $2,500; insurance $2,000, including organ and furniture; condition good.

Income—Board of Land Agents $75; legacies $30; from Glebe lands, $8; from offerings made in Church, $50; from annual subscriptions $150.

Indebtedness—Convention fund $4, paid; bishop's salary $5.00, paid.

Rector's salary $400; expenses for music $15; other expenses, $75, for repairs on Church.

LUKE PARISH,
Lay Delegate.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WEST RANDOLPH.

REV. HOMER WHITE, S. T. D., Rector.

LEWIS P. THAYER, Senior Warden.

JAMES W. GABRIELLE, Junior Warden.

JOSEPH D. DENISON, Secretary of Vestry.

JOSEPH D. DENISON, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 32; comprising individuals 93, individuals not included in families 9, total 102; Baptisms—Adults 4, children 8, total 12; whole number of baptized persons in parish 87; Confirmations—Males 2, females 5, total 7; Communicants—Number last reported 54, number received 4, number added 7, number removed 3; present number, males 15, females 47, total 62; marriages 1; funerals 2; Sunday School Teachers: Males 1, females 2, total 3; Pupils: Males 3, females 22, total 25.

Offerings—Mission, Diocesan,	$ 16 50
" Domestic, S. S. Lenten offering,	5 61
" Foreign, S. S. Lenten offering,	5 60
New lamps for Church,	20 00
Good Friday offering for Jews,	2 15
Extending Chancel floor,	2 50
Book-marks,	2 57
By Junior Branch, shingling,	12 50
" " " for carpet,	30 50
" " " " missionary box,	15 00
Other church offerings, viz:	
N. Y. Missionary rooms,	2 00
By Woman's Auxiliary, for furnace,	15 00
" " " increase of Rectory fund,	100 00
By Woman's Auxiliary, for Christmas tree,	12 00
" " " clothing for colored mission,	25 00
Total of offerings,	$266 93

Church Services—Sunday mornings, one-fourth of time by Lay Reader; Christmas day, Fridays in Lent, and every day in Holy Week except Saturday. Holy Communion the first Sunday in the month.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $2,000; insurance $1,500; condition good.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $85; annual subscriptions, $600; Board of Land Agents, $75.

Indebtedness—None.

Rector's salary, $600; sexton's salary, $8; expenses for music $52; other expenses $25.

JAMES WILLIAM GABRIELLE,
JOEL B. PUTNAM, } Lay Delegates.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, ROYALTON.

Rector resigned in January

DUDLEY C. DENISON, Senior Warden.

CHARLES H. WOODARD, Junior Warden.

DUDLEY C. DENISON, Secretary of Vestry.

JOSEPH D. DENISON, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 14, comprising individuals 44, individuals not included in families 4, total 48; Communicants—Number last reported 29, received 1, removed 2, present number, males 7, females 21, total 28.

Offerings—Missions, Diocesan,	$ 7 50
Convention fund,	3 00
Other Church offerings, viz,	11 27
Lenten offering for Missions.	6 04
Total of offerings,	$27 86

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $1,500; Insurance $1,000.

Condition very good and *not* in need of repairs.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $72.40; annual subscriptions, $22; ministerial fund from town land, $16.59. Board of Land Agents, $4.60.

In addition to the above the Woman's Auxiliary of the parish have purchased prayer books and hymnals, and made some repairs and paid some of the expenses of the parish.

Indebtedness—None

Rector's salary, $83.33, until be resigned.

DUDLEY C. DENISON, ARTHUR G. WHITHAM, } Lay Delegates.

TRINITY CHURCH, RUTLAND.

REV. CHARLES MARTIN NILES, Rector.

GEORGE R. BOTTUM, Senior Warden.

L. G. KINGSLEY, Junior Warden.

ORLANDO WOOSTER, Secretary of Vestry.

EDWARD L. TEMPLE, FRANCIS M. BANFIL, ORLANDO WOOSTER, } Licensed Lay Readers.

Families 215, comprising individuals about 860, individuals not included in families 72, total 932; Baptisms—Adults 17, children 63, total 80; Confirmations—Males 23, females 32, total 55; Communicants—Number last reported 538, added 54, received 12, removed and dropped 15, died 6, present number males 176, females 390, total 583; Marriages

9; Funerals 30; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 3, females 9, total 12; Pupils: Males 75, females 80, total 165.

Offerings—	Alms at the Holy Communion,	$165 54
	Missions, Diocesan including deficiency for 1898,	244 73
	" General,	86 21
	" Jews,	21 87
	Education of the Ministry,	50 00
	Aged and Infirm Clergy,	16 00
	By Sunday School, not included the above,	72 00
	Other Church offerings, viz:	
	Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund,	5 00
	Easter offering for Parish house	57 12
	Total of offerings,	$668 47

Church Services—Morning and evening prayer every Sunday. Celebration of the Holy Communion every Sunday and Holy Day, also every Thursday, and twice on the first Sunday of the month and great festivals. Daily service was begun at Easter.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church and Chapel edificies built of stone; valued at $50,000; insurance $22,000; condition good.

Rectory built of wood; valued at $8,000; insurance $4,000; condition good.

Income—From pew rents, $2,967.88; From offerings made in Church, $909.79.

Indebtedness—$700.

Rector's salary, $1,800; expenses for music, $1,100; sexton's salary, $250; other expenses, $727.67.

GEORGE R. BOTTUM,
JOHN N. WOODFIN,
EDWARD L. TEMPLE,
CHARLES E. ROSS,
CHARLES KRANS,
GEORGE T. CHAFFEE,
} Lay Delegates.

GRACE CHURCH, WEST RUTLAND.

WILLIAM W. FELT, Senior Warden.

EBENEZER TREMAYNE, Junior Warden.

WILLIAM W. FELT, Secretary of Vestry.

EDSON P. GILSON, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 14, comprising individuals 36, individuals not included in families 11, total 47; Baptisms—Children 2; whole number of baptized persons in the Parish 50; Confirmation—Males 2, females 1, total 3; Communicants—Number last reported 33, added 3, received 2, removed 1, died 1, present number, males 11, females 24, total 35; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 1, females 3, total 4; Pupils: Males 7, females 11, total 18.

Offerings—Missions, Diocesan,	$15 00
Episcopal Fund,	3 00
Total of offerings,	$18 00

Church Services—Lay Service every Sunday morning; Clerical Service once in two months with celebration of Holy Communion by the Diocesan Missionary.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $2,700; insurance $1,800; condition, needs painting outside.

Rectory built of wood; valued at $4,000; insurance $2,000; condition, good.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $111.21; Board of Land Agents, $6; Rent of Rectory, $150.

Indebtedness—Incumbrance on Church Property, $531.50; Bishop's salary, $3; Sexton's salary, $20; other expenses, $240.

W. W. WHEELER,
W. W. FELT, } Lay Delegates.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, ST ALBANS.

REV. ALONZO B. FLANDERS, D. D., Rector.

MYRON W. BAILEY, Senior Warden.

JOHN W. HOBART, Junior Warden.

Families 210, comprising individuals 734, individuals not included in families 37, total 771; Baptisms—Adults 9, children 21, total 30; whole number of baptized persons in the parish, nearly 700; Communicants—Number last reported 424, received 9, died 5, present number, males 158, females 270, total 428; Marriages 13, Funerals 19; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 3, females 13, total 16; Pupils: Males 70, females 102, total 172.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion,	$139 67
Missions, Domestic,	35 00
" Woman's Auxiliary,	244 00
" Sunday School,	114 00
" Choir,	25 00
Aged and Infirm Clergy,	9 08
Helping Hands, etc.,	78 20
King's Sons,	12 51
By Sunday School, not included in the above,	75 00
Other Church offerings, viz:	
Choir Guild,	75 00
Total of offerings,	$802 56

Church Services—Twice on every Sunday ; once on Friday in each week ; twice with Holy Communion on the greater festivals and fasts ; usually every day or evening during Lent. Holy Communion every Sunday at 8.30 A. M., except the first Sunday in the month, when the celebration is held at the mid-day service. Two celebrations usually on Christmas and Easter.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of stone ; valued at $15,000 ; insurance $12,700 ; condition fairly good.

Rectory built of wood ; valued at $4,000 ; insurance, $2,000 ; condition good.

Income—From Association, $2,160.89; from offerings made in Church, $391.65 ; from annual subscriptions, $288.31 ;

Indebtedness—Incumbrance on Church Property, $3,000 ; Bishop's salary, $72.

Rector's salary, $1500; expenses for music, $400; sexton's salary, $180.

MYRON W. BAILEY,
JOHN W. HOBART,
JOHN C. STRANAHAN,
HANSON E. LEWIS,
L. A. EMERSON,
CHARLES S. FORBES,
} Lay Delegates.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, ST. JOHNSBURY.

REV FRANK APPLETON, Rector.

ELIJAH D. BLODGETT, Senior Warden.

WILLIAM S. BOYNTON, Junior Warden.

PEARL F. BLODGETT, Secretary of Vestry.

Families 90, comprising individuals 308, individuals not included in families 52, total 360; Baptisms—Adults 3, children 12, total 15; whole number of baptized persons in the parish 329; Confirmations—Males 3, females 9, total 12; Communicants—Number last reported 188, added 12, received 16, removed 16, died 3, present number, males 65, females 132, total 197; Marriages 3; Funerals 12; Sunday school—Teachers: Males 2, females 8, total 10; Pupils: Males 40, females 46, total 86.

Offerings—Alms at Holy Communion,	$ 8 50
Missions, Diocesan,	24 14
" Domestic,	41 85
" Colored people,	40 65
Convention Fund,	28 00
By Sunday School, not included in the above,	36 02
Other Church offerings, viz.,	
For Parochial purposes:—	
Christmas offering,	137 79
Easter special offering,	349 50
Rector's Aid Society, during year,	261 00
Total of offerings,	$922 45

Church Services—Sunday: Morning prayer and sermon, 10.30; Sunday school, 12; Evening prayer and address, 5. Wednesday: Litany and lecture, 7.30. Holy Communion first Sunday of every month and on the greater feasts. Lenten services Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, and daily during Holy week.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood, valued at $15,000; insurance $10,000; condition good.

Rectory built of wood; valued at $2,500; insurance, $1,500; condition good.

Tenement house built of wood; rented to sexton and others for benefit of parish; valued at $1,500; insurance $1,000.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $134.26; annual subscriptions, $1,131.29; T. A. Hopkins Fund, $30; Howard Fund, $60; rent of tenement house, $162; town of St. Johnsbury, Ministerial Fund, $6.95.

Indebtedness—$373.44.

Rector's salary, $1,000; sexton's salary, $96; expenses for music, $328; other expenses, $250.

ELISHA MAY,
W. S. BOYNTON, } Lay Delegates.

TRINITY CHURCH, SHELBURNE.

REV. BENJAMIN WARREN ATWELL, Rector.

WALTER A. WEED, Senior Warden.

DR. W. SEWARD WEBB, Junior Warden.

JOHN L. BARSTOW, Secretary of Vestry.

Families 32, comprising individuals 107, individuals not included in families 16, total 123; Baptisms—Adults 3, children 3, total 6; whole number of baptized persons in the parish, 95; Confirmations—Males 5, females 5, total 10; Communicants—Number last reported 58, added 10, received 2, removed 2, died 3, present number, males 23, females 42, total 65; Marriages 3; Funerals 4; Sunday School —Teachers: Females 3; Pupils: Males 10, females 14, total 24.

Offerings—Alms at Holy Communion,	$115 00
Missions, Diocesan,	300 00
" Domestic,	15 21
" Foreign,	50 00
Education of the Ministry,	100 00
Other Church offerings, viz.:	
Bishop's Fund,	208 84
Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund,	23 17
Communicant for Woman's Auxiliary and other purposes,	600 00
Total of offerings,	$1,412 22

Church Services—Every Sunday at 10.30 A. M. Frequently during Lent. Celebration of the Holy Communion on Saints Days, and once a month.

Through the generosity of Dr. W. Seward Webb the organ has been moved, and placed in the chancel, and the Choir vested.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of stone; insurance, $15,000; condition good.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $513.25; annual subscriptions, $2,400; Minister Fund, $32.50.

Indebtedness—For Convention Fund, $10.

Rector's salary, $1,500; Sexton's salary, $148; expenses for music, $516; other expenses, $400.

WALTER A. WEED,
WILLIAM H. TYLER, } Lay Delegates.

GRACE CHURCH, SHELDON.

Vacant.

CHARLES H. WHITTEMORE, Senior Warden.

J. H. STUFFLEBEAN, Junior Warden.

CHARLES R. KEITH, Secretary of Vestry.

Families 21; comprising individuals 63, individuals not included in families 1, total 64; Baptisms—Adults 2, children 5, total 7, whole number of baptized persons in the parish 39; Communicants—Number last reported 41, removed 2, died 2, present number, males 8, females 29, total 37; Funerals 2; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 1; Pupils: Males 2, females 3, total 5.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion, $8 88

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of brick; valued at $1,700, church shed $100, organ $300; insurance $2,100.

Rectory and barn built of wood; valued at $1,025; insurance $675; condition poor.

Income—From offerings made in church, $8.88; Board of Land Agents, $21.90; the amount of collections paid to Mr. Jones, lay reader, $128.28, to Rev. Paul F. Swett $4, total $132.28.

Indebtedness—None.

Sexton's salary, $4.30; other expenses, $9.05.

CHARLES H. WHITTEMORE, Lay Delegate.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, SWANTON.

Vacant.

HENRY A. BURT, Senior Warden,

CHAS. A. REYNOLDS, Junior Warden.

HENRY M. STONE, Secretary of Vestry.

Families 30, comprising individuals 105, individuals not included in families 12, total 117 ; Baptisms—Adults 6, children 7, total 13 ; whole number of baptized persons in the parish 98; Communicants—Present number, males 7, females 38, total 45 ; Funerals 1 ; Sunday School—Teachers : Males 1, females 5, total 6 ; Pupils : Males 19, females 28, total 47.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion,	$ 4 80
Missions, Diocesan,	9 18
For Christmas tree,	11 00
For Parish, from Guild,	40 00
Convention Fund,	8 00
Sunday School, question books,	9 50
Easter offering by Sunday School, not included in the above,	7 00
Other Church offerings, viz :	
Woman's Auxiliary,	48 00
One-half barrel sent St. John Baptists House, New York,	14 55
Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund,	2 74
Easter offering,	22 50
Total of offerings,	$176 77

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood ; insurance $1,300.

Income—From offerings made in church, $57.98 ; annual subscriptions, $353.70.

Indebtedness—None.

Rector's salary to September, $179.69, aside from Missions and Board of Land Agents appropriations ; sexton's salary, $33.37; other expenses, Lay Reader, $93 ; miscellaneous, $33.86.

HENRY A. BURT,
Lay Delegate.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, VERGENNES.

REV. EDMUND BANKS SMITH, Rector.

CYRUS A. BOOTH, Senior Warden.

CHARLES E. PARKER, Junior Warden.

NICHOLAS J. MCCUEN, Secretary of Vestry.

CHARLES E. PARKER, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 41, comprising individuals 147, individuals not included in families 20, total 167; Baptisms—Adults 3, children 7, total 10; whole number of baptized persons in the Parish, 167; Communicants—Number last reported 103, received 2, removed 2, died 4, present number, males 44, females 55, total 99; Marriages 2; Funerals 10; Sunday School —Teachers: Males 3, females 3, total 6; Pupils: Males 20, females 32, total 52.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion,	$ 20 96
Missions, Diocesan,	60 75
" Domestic,	22 75
" Foreign,	22 75
" on Good Friday for Jews,	1 80
Aged and Infirm Clergy,	4 50
Woman's Auxiliary,	135 21
Guild of the Holy Child,	16 90
Other Church offerings, viz.:	
At Bishop's visitation,	14 50
Easter offering,	94 34
St. Ambrose Guild, General Missions,	2 50
Total of offerings,	$396 96

Church Services—The Holy Eucharist on Sundays, Saints' Days, Holy Days and Fridays, throughout the year. Number of Communions made 1,100. Matins and Evensong on

Sundays; Evensong on Fridays, Ember Days, Rogation Days, and daily in Advent and Lent. During Lent there was a preaching service every Thursday night, with sermon by the Reverend Clergy from Brandon and Middlebury.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of brick; valued at $6,000; insurance $5,000; condition good.

Rectory built of wood; valued at $5,000; insurance $4,600; condition good.

Income—From offerings made in church, $1,062.81; from special offerings, $237.83; legacies, $330; rents, $427.66.

Former rectory sold on March 19, 1894, for $3,750, and the amount paid on debt on present rectory.

Indebtedness—$259.90.

Rector's salary, $1,000; Sexton's salary, $102; expenses for music, $50; other expenses, $927.99.

CHAS. E. PARKER.
SPENCER W. HINDES,
ELLIOTT W. SHIPMAN,
HENRY T. BOOTH,
} Lay Delegates.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WELLS.

REV. EDWARD H. RANDALL, Rector.

JAS. H. PARKS, Senior Warden.

OLIVER R. HOPSON, Junior Warden.

OLIVER R. HOPSON, Secretary of Vestry.

Families 8, comprising individuals 34, individuals not included in families 4, total 38; whole number of baptized

persons in the Parish 32 ; Communicants—Number last reported 22, removed 1, died 1, present number, males 2, females 18, total 20.

Offerings—Missions, Diocesan,	$ 7 43
Other Church offerings,	4 67
Total of offerings,	$12 10

Church Services—Services twice in each month, alternate Sundays. The congregations are uniformly about twenty persons. The population is sparse ; the persons available for the support of the church, not many, but faithful and worthy. The pecuniary condition not very promising, as there are but very small resources from which to raise money for the church.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood ; valued at $800 ; insurance none ; condition fair.

Income—Board of Land Agents, $30 ; annual subscriptions, $40 ; legacies, $40.50 ; Missionary Committee, $50.

Indebtedness $195.87.

Rector's salary, $200.

OLIVER R. HOPSON, Lay Delegate.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WINDSOR.

EDWARD N. GODDARD, Rector.

HENRY D. STONE, Senior Warden.

EDWARD BROWN, Junior Warden.

EDWARD M. GODDARD, Secretary of Vestry.

EDWARD BROWN, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families about 40 ; Baptisms—Children 8 ; Communicants —Number last reported 69, received 6, died, 1; present number, males 21, females 53, total 74 ; Marriages 4; Funerals 8; Sunday School—Teachers, 3 ; Pupils, 15.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion applied to Church adornment,	$13	58
Missions, Diocesan,	57	00
" Domestic,	10	50
" Foreign,	15	50
By the Women's Auxiliary, viz : For Colored People, Box valued at	30	00
Indians, Box valued at	30	00
By Cash to the Diocesan Treasurer,	10	00
Aged and Infirm Clergy,	5	00
Parochial Endowment,	5	00
Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund,	17	00
Sunday School, Christmas Festival and Papers, etc.,	25	20
By Sunday School, not included in the above, for general Missions,	6	00
Other Church offerings, viz : Junior Auxiliary, Box to the orphanage at South Amboy,	12	00
Missions to Jews,	5	66
Sisters of Bethany, Material for the Junior Auxiliary,	15	00
Sisters of Bethany, for Supplies, Alter Linen, etc.,	26	86
Sisters of Bethany, for Miss Carter's Mission,	75	00
Total of offerings, besides what the Lay Delegates Report,	359	30
Total offerings for all purposes,	$1,350	65

Church Services—Morning and Evening on all Sundays, about 20 services in Lent. Holy Communion celebrated 39 times.

The local chapters of the Women's Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary, and the Order of the Sisters of Bethany are doing valuable work in the Parish—which cannot be measured in money—besides that which is specified above, at very moderate estimates.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of brick ; valued at $8,000 ; insurance $6,000 ; condition good.

Rectory built of wood; valued at $2,500; insurance $1,800; condition fair.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $516.50 ; Board of Land Agents, $46.25 ; annual subscriptions, $358,00 ; Endowment Fund, $29.50 ; Mrs. B., for choir, $75.00 ; Collections by Sisters of Bethany, $41.85 ; total $1,067.10.

The Endowment Fund for maintenance of the Church building now amounts to $565. It is in the care of the Trustees of the Diocese.

Indebtedness—None.

Rector's salary, $650.40 ; expenses for music, $152.33 ; Sexton's salary, $10; other expenses, $212.33; total $1,035.06.

HENRY D. STONE,
EDWARD BROWN,
H. L. WILLIAMS,
} Lay Delegates.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, WOODSTOCK.

REV. FRANCIS WYMAN SMITH, Rector.

JAMES B. JONES, Senior Warden.

GEO. W. PAUL, Junior Warden.

GEO. W. PAUL, Secretary of Vestry.

Families 38, comprising individuals 119, individuals not included in families 11, total 130; Baptisms—Children 1, Communicants—Number last reported 62, removed 1, present number, males 16, females 45, total 61; Marriages—6; Funerals 6; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 1, females 3, total 4; Pupils: Males 16, females 19, total 35.

Offerings—Missions, Diocesan,	$34 36
" Domestic,	16 52
" Foreign,	10 00
" Jewish,	3 20
Aged and Infirm Clergy,	6 34
Alaska Missions, by Sunday School,	10 00
Christmas offerings for the poor,	14 55
Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund,	12 60
" Sunday School,	6 00
Total of offerings,	$118.57

Church Services—Every Sunday morning; every Sunday evening, except from Epiphany to Easter. Week-day services in Lent, and also during the summer.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $6,000; insurance $3,000; condition good.

Rectory built of wood; valued at $2,500; insurance $1,650; condition fair.

Income—From pew rents, $300; from offerings made in Church, $628.15; legacies, $595.25.

Indebtedness—$120.

Rector's salary, $1,000; expenses for music, $15.98; Sexton's salary, $92.75; other expenses, $178.15.

JAMES B. JONES,
CHARLES F. CHAPMAN, } Lay Delegates.

[APPENDIX B.]

EPORTS OF MISSIONS.

MINISTER'S REPORT.

ISSION OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, BARRE.

THE DIOCESAN MISSIONARY IN CHARGE.

M. D. REID, M. D., Warden.

WILLIAM KELMAN, Treasurer.

H. K. BUSH, Secretary.

es 48; comprising individuals 230, individuals not in families 10, total 240; Baptisms—Adults 5, 20, total 25; whole number of baptized persons in h 195; Confirmations—Males 7, females 8, total 15; icants—Number added 19, received 4, removed 5, umber, males 19, females 32, total 51; Marriages 2; 2; Sunday School—Officers and Teachers: Males s 4, total 5; Pupils: Males 22, females 25, total

ngs, Missions, Diocesan,	$16 25
By Sunday School, not included in the above,	30 00
Other Church offerings, viz: For	
Parish expenses,	281 76
Building Fund,	15 00
By Woman's Guild,	99 93
Total of offerings,	$442 94

Church Services—There has been 111 Sunday and 18 week-day services. The Holy Communion has been celebrated 10 times.

The Mission has been vacant since December 1, 1893. The Diocesan Missionary has given such service as he could and two or three of the clergy of the Diocese have kindly assisted. On quite a number of Sundays lay reading has been had. On several Sundays, however, there were no services. The Mission has held together very well, considering the circumstances of the case, much of its prosperity being due to the few faithful women. The service is always a hearty one with respect both to the music and the responses. This report makes no account of twenty additional persons enrolled as communicants, who have never received the Holy Communion in connection with the Mission.

Beyond the securing of a pastor, what the Mission needs most and must have (of a material sort) before it can make progress, is to descend from its abode in the third loft of a business block to a more meet and more accessible dwelling-place,—a result which cannot be obtained without large help from without. The people have $120 in hand toward the securing of a lot, but that is a small part of the necessary sum.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

No Church edifice.

No Rectory.

No Lot.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $281.76; Board of Land Agents, $100; Town Fund, $18.18; Woman's Guild, $192.51; other sources, $13.20.

Rector's salary, $265.62; sexton's salary, $50; expenses for music, $87; rent of hall, $125; old debts, $45; other expenses, $36.

W. D. REID,
Lay Delegate.

MINISTER'S REPORT.

MISSION OF THE HOLY CROSS, GRANITEVILLE, BARRE.

THE DIOCESAN MISSIONARY IN CHARGE.

ROBERT WILDBUR, Warden.

GEORGE SUITOR, Treasurer.

WILLIAM EDWARDS, Secretary.

Families 16, comprising individuals 71; whole number of baptized persons in the parish 71; Confirmations —Males 4, females 2, total 6; Communicants—Number added 6, present number males 7, females 8, total 15; Funerals 1.

Offerings, for Current Expenses,	$37 46
Subscriptions for Horse (afterwards sold),	50 00
Entertainments,	57 00
	$144 46
Paid for Clerical services,	$37 00
Rent of Organ,	13 50
Rent of Hall,	7 50
Other expenses,	3 35
Loss on sale of horse and buggy,	22 00
Balance in hand,	61 11
	$144 46

Church Services—Services have been held at 3 P. M. every Sunday since they were begun early last summer, except for a few Sundays in the Spring. This Mission has suffered even more than that at Barre village from the six months' vacancy in the cure. It was thought advisable to sell the horse and buggy purchased for the use of the Minister in charge in doing the work of the Mission, and to make other provision for his going back and forth. Besides the communicants reported there are some fifteen more, who have been communicants at some time elsewhere, but have never received here.

MISSION OF THE HOLY CROSS, CAMBRIDGE BORO.

Organized May 5, 1889. P. O. Cambridge.

REV. GEMONT GRAVES, Missionary.
P. O., 96 Colchester Ave., Burlington.

THE MISSIONARY, Secretary and Treasurer.

WM. C. HOPKINS, JR., and E. G. RANDALL, both of Burlington, Lay Readers.

Families and parts, 7, comprising individuals 20; whole number of baptized persons in the Mission 17; Communicants—Number last reported 7, died 1, present number, females, 6; Funerals 1.

Offerings—Alms at Holy Communion, applied on Missions and Salary of Missionary,

Missions, Diocesan,	$ 7 00
" Domestic,	1 17
" Foreign,	1 17
" General, Children's Lent Pyramids,	0 61
Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund,	1 00

By the King's Daughters: For a "King's Daughter," and for Atckinson, Kansas,	$1 25
For Sunday School papers,	0 15
For Sundry Repairs, etc., given,	1 25
Total of offerings,	$13 60

Church Services—Clerical 10, Lay 1, total 11. The Holy Communion 3 times.

A large room is rented for the services.

Income—From offerings made in Chapel, $10.25; Board of Missions, $50; friends for rent, etc., $25; total income, $85.25.

No indebtedness.

Expenses—Missionary's salary, $50.17; Chapel rent etc; $25; for travel of Lay Reader, etc., $10.08; total expenses, $85.25.

MISSION OF THE HOLY APOSTLES, CAMBRIDGE CENTER.

Organized March 14, 1858. P. O. Jeffersonville.

REV. GEMONT GRAVES, Missionary.

THE MISSIONARY, Secretary and Treasurer.

Families or parts, 10, comprising individuals 16; whole number of baptized person in the Mission 13; Communicants —Number last reported 4, present number, females 4; Burials 1.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion, applied on salary of Missionary and Missions.

Missions, Diocesan,	$9 00
" Domestic,	1 50
" Foreign,	1 50
" General, Children's Lent Pyramids,	1 27
Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund,	1 00
Charity for a "King's Daughter",	1 00
Sundries,	0 60
Total of offerings,	$15 87

Church Services—Clerical 13, Lay 1, total 14. The Rev. F. W. Oakes, a former Congregational pastor here held three services, one being in Waterville, the Holy Communion 1; in private 1; total 2. Our congregations are large, as the people generally of all denominations join in the service aided by use of leaflets. Our own Church people are but few, as many have died or moved away. As we have the use of the Congregational Church one-fourth of the Sundays, and many attend our service, it is very desirable that we keep it up in this part of the town. One of our Church women has enabled us, through a maple sugar party, to pay the large balance due on Diocesan and other Missions.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $11.47; Board of Missions, $50.00; total income, $61.47.

Indebtedness—None.

Missionary's salary, $50.95; for travel of Lay Reader, etc., $10.22; total expenses, $61.17.

MISSION CHRIST CHURCH, FAIRFAX.

Organized May 8, 1835. P. O. Buck Hollow.

REV. GEMONT GRAVES, Rector.

ANDREW BUCK, Senior Warden.

ABNER N. BUCK, Junior Warden.

THE RECTOR, Secretary of Vestry.

Families and parts 24, comprising individuals 76; Baptisms—Adults 2, children 2, total 4; whole number of baptized persons in Parish 46; Communicants—Number last

reported 21, added 1; present number, males 7, females 15, total 22; Marriages 1.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion, for Missions, Diocesan,	$20 00
" Domestic,	3 84
" Foreign,	3 33
Children's Lent Pyramids, General,	1 46
Domestic,	0 35
Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund,	1 00
Sunday School papers,	0 50
Parochial School, Sunday gifts,	3 05
By the Woman's Auxiliary [including $30 from the Rev. Paul F. Swett and a charity for Atchison, Kansas.]	68 75
Total of offerings,	$101 78

Church Services—Clerical 24, Lay 3, total 27. The Holy Communion 4 times, in private 2, total 6. A service has again been held in Westford with large attendance. The Woman's Auxiliary has done nobly in providing for Church repairs, an organ fund, and other parochial needs. The large gift of a son of a former rector (the Rev. Dr. Swett,) towards Church repairs has been fully appreciated.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $1,800; insurance $1,300; condition good, having been shingled and painted by the Woman's Auxiliary.

Rectory built of wood; valued at $1,800; insurance $1,200; condition, needs repairs.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $12.09; Board of Land Agents, $70; annual subscriptions, $36.35; legacy, A.

Buck's, $30; rent of rectory, $50; Board of Missions, $50; total offerings, $248.44.

Indebtedness—None.

Expenses—Rector's salary, $163.55; sexton's salary, $50; insurance, $9.09; convention tax, $3; for travel, etc. $22.80; total expenses, $248.44.

DOUGLASS BUCK, Lay Delegate.

ST. LUKE'S MISSION, FAIR HAVEN.

REV. JOHN ANKETELL, Missionary.

H. M. WESTCOTT, Warden.

GEORGE S. MAYNARD, Secretary.

GEORGE S. MAYNARD, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 23, comprising individuals 82, individuals not included in families 24, total 106; Baptisms—Adults 2, children 6, total 8; whole number of baptized persons in the Parish 98; Confirmations—Males 4, females 6, total 10; Communicants—Number last reported 60, added 14, received 3, removed 7, died 1; present number, males 16, females 53, total 69; Marriages 1; Burial 1; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 1, females 4, total 5; Pupils: Males 6, females 21, total 27.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion,	$ 20 00
Missions, Diocesan,	44 00
Aged and Infirm Clergy,	2 60
Other Church offerings,	61 24
Total of offerings,	$127 84

Church Services—Morning service with sermon every Sunday, except second and fourth. Evening service and sermon

every Sunday, second *sermon* being omitted in summer. Holy Communion first Sunday of the month and on festivals. Daily service throughout Lent, with lectures, and weekly evening services in Advent and on Fridays. Public catechising third Sunday of each month. The daily services during Lent were largely attended.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $5,000; insurance $3,000; condition good.

Income—From offerings made in the Church, $151.24; Board of Land Agents, $50; annual subscriptions, $400.

Indebtedness—None.

Rector's salary, $400; sexton's salary, $25; other expenses, $70.

EDWARD SNELL, Lay Delegate.

GRACE CHURCH, FORESTDALE.

REV. WM. FARRAR WEEKS, Missionary.

Families 29, comprising individuals 119, individuals not included in families 3, total 122; whole number of baptized persons in the Mission 49; Confirmations—Females 2; Communicants—Number last reported 10, added 2, received 1; present number, males 2, females 11, total 13; Marriages 2; Funerals 3; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 1, females 3, total 4; Pupils: Males 13, females 16, total 29.

Offerings—Missions, Diocesan,	$ 1 41
Other Church offerings, viz.:	
Weekly,	11 20
For the Priest in Charge,	45 60
From Mission Funds of the Diocese,	75 00
By Sunday School for Missions,	1 35
Total of offerings,	$134 56

The Chapel is built of wood and needs repairs.
Value $3,000. Insurance $1,000.
The expenditure for incidentals has been $16.30.

Church services—The Holy Eucharist on chief festivals and by special announcement—at least three times each quarter. Evening Prayer is said every Sunday at 3 o'clock. Cottage lectures weekly during Advent and Lent.

ST. BARNABAS MISSION, EAST MIDDLEBURY.

REV. SIMON B. BLUNT, Missionary.

THOS. REED, Warden.

Families 17, comprising individuals 69, individuals not included in families 9, total 78; Baptisms—Adults 9, children 3, total 12; Confirmation—Males 1, females 8, total 9; Communicants—Number last reported 17, added 9; present number, males 5, females 21, total 26; Marriages 2; Funerals 2; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 1, females 3, total 4; Pupils: Males 11, females 28, total 39.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion,	$ 3 00
Missions, Diocesan,	5 00
Sunday School, not included in the above,	1 40
Other church offerings,	96 70
Total of offerings,	$106 10

Church Services—Since Advent there has been one Service. (Evensong) every Sunday, and Celebrations the first Sunday of each month at 7 A. M., in addition.

Church edfice built of wood ; valued at $2,500; insurance $1,000 ; condition excellent.

Indebtedness—For Convention Fund, $5.00.

Missonary's salary, $200 ; other expenses, $8.00.

ROBERT H. BELL,
Lay Delegate.

EMMANUEL MISSION, GEORGIA.

Organized, June 20, 1872. P. O. East Georgia.

REV. GEMONT GRAVES, Missionary.

THE MISSIONARY, Secretary and Treasurer.

Families and parts 18, comprising individuals 50; Baptisms —Children 1; whole number of baptized persons in the Mission 30 ; Confirmation—Females 1 ; Communicants—Number last reported 9, added 1, died 1; present number, females 9 ; Funerals 2 ; Sunday School—Teachers 2 ; Pupils 8.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion applied on Salary of Missionary and for	
Missions, Diocesan,	$10 00
" Domestic,	1 67
" Foreign,	1 67
By Children's Lent Pyramids:	
General Missions,	57
" Domestic,	35
" Foreign,	35
Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund,	1 00
A Gift,	50
By Woman's Auxiliary : one Box for hurricane victims in South Carolina, and Charity for Atchinson, Kansas,	5 84
For the Sunday School, from Miss Julia A. Converse of Burlington,	5 00
Total of offerings,	$26 95

Church Services—Clerical 31, Lay 1, total 32. The Holy Communion 5 times, in private 1, total 6. With more services by Lay reading, Church interest and attendance are on the increase. The Woman's Auxiliary makes out the balance of our dues to the Board of Missions. Mr. Homer E. Reynolds has again made a liberal gift of wood for several years' supply of fuel for the Church.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $3,000; insurance $2,100; condition, needs shingling and painting; the former will probably be done by the Woman's Auxiliary this summer.

Income—From Board of Missions, $18.75; from offerings made in Church, $24.75; Board of Land Agents, $70; legacies, Miss Hyde's ($75, less .55 for Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund), $74.45; sundries, $1.20; total income, $189.15.

Indebtedness—None.

Missionary's salary, $134.87; sundries, $ .55; Sexton's salary, $3.60; insurance, $37.50; for travel, etc., $12.63; total, $189.15.

CALVARY CHURCH, JERICHO.

Organized August 16, 1842.

REV. GEMONT GRAVES, Rector.

SAMUEL B. BLISS, Senior Warden.

IRA HAWLEY, Junior Warden,

THE RECTOR, Secretary of Vestry.

Families and parts 17, comprising individuals in several towns 34; whole number of baptized persons in Parish 25; Communicants—Number last reported 10, received 2, removed 1; present number, males 3, females 8, total 11.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion appropriated for Salary and for	
Missions, Diocesan,	$10 00
" Domestic,	1 67
" Foreign,	1 67
" General, Children's Lent Pyramids,	2 65
Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund,	2 60
Sunday School papers, etc.,	0.35
By Woman's Auxiliary:	
Box to St. Katharine's Mission School, Baltimore, Md., and charity for Atchison, Kan..	4 55
Total of offerings,	$23 49

Church Services—Clerical 13, Lay 1, total 14. The Holy Communion 4 times.

Removals diminish our small number at Underhill, yet cordial support comes from Jericho Corners and other points, where most of our members now reside.

Besides its other labors, the Woman's Auxiliary has paid the balance due to the Board of Missions.

Towards the Church insurance, $18.24 came from friends outside the parish.

The Rector has elsewhere held or assisted at 10 other services.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $2,900; insurance $1,500; condition good.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $26.46; Board of Missions, $100; special offerings, $26.50; other sources, $0.75; total income, $153.71.

Indebtedness—None.

Expenses—Rector's salary, $104.98; for travel, Lay Reader, etc., $21.48; insurance, $26.50; repairs, etc., $0.75; total expenses, $152.71.

IRA HAWLEY,
Lay Delegate.

ST. JOHNS' MISSION, MANCHESTER.

FRED WHEELER, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 3, comprising individuals 10, individuals not included in families 1, total 11; Baptisms—Adults 1, children 7, total 8; whole number of baptized persons in the Parish, 9; Communicants—Present number females 1.

Church Services—Lay services were held in the Church for thirteen weeks during the summer, and Morning Prayer has been read at private houses during a portion of the winter.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $4,000; insurance, none; condition not good.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $90.

Indebtedness—None.

Rector's salary, $130.

TRINITY MISSION, MILTON.

Organized in 1832.

REV. GEMONT GRAVES, Missionary.

THE MISSIONARY, Secretary.

Families and parts 21; comprising individuals 54; Baptisms—Adults 2, whole number of baptized persons in the Mission 36; Confirmations—Females 2; Communicants—Number last reported 18, number added 3, number removed 1, died 1; present number, males 1, females 18, total 19; marriages 1; Funerals 1; Sunday School—Teachers: 1, adult class 5; Pupils: 7, total 13.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion, applied on Salary, and for Mission Diocesan,	$15 00
" Domestic,	2 50
" Foreign,	2 50
Children's Lent Pyramids—general,	$ 95
Domestic,	50
Indian,	1 97
Colored,	1 47
China,	67
Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund,	2 00
By Sunday School for papers,	30
Other Church offerings, viz: Woman's Auxiliary, clerical vestments, (say $25) Charity for Atchison, Kansas,	27 00
Total of offerings,	$56 21

Church Services—Clerical 33, lay 1, total 34. The Holy Communion five times.

The Woman's Auxiliary has now a large sum on hand for church and chancel cushions.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of brick and wood; valued at $4,000; insurance $3,200; condition good.

Income—From offerings made in church $53.70, Board of Missions $137.50, Board of Land Agents $70, Woman's Auxiliary $18.80, current expense fund $32.80; total income $312.80.

Indebtedness—None.

Missionary's salary, $241.32; Sexton's salary, $15.50; coal, etc., $16.28; insurance, $11.52; furnace repairs, $7.80; sundries, 50 cents; for travel, etc., $19.81, total expenses, $312.80.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S MISSION, NORTH TROY.

REV. ALEX. AUG. CAIRNS, Missionary.

J. S. DORMAN, Warden.

A. H BUTTERFIELD, Secretary.

D. J. MORRILL, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 8, comprising individuals 24, individuals not included in families 7, total 31; whole number of baptized persons in Parish 31; Communicants—Number last reported 22, received 1, removed 1; present number, males 4, females 16, total 20; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 1, females 1, total 2; Pupils: Males 8, females 14, total 22.

Offerings—Sunday School,	$3 00

Church Services—Holy Communion third Sunday of each month. Services every Sunday afternoon save the third. Services every Wednesday evening.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $2,800; insurance $1,100; condition good.

Income—Board of Land Agents, $29; annual subscriptions, $66.

Indebtedness—Diocesan fund $10.

Rector's salary, $50; expenses for music, $10; other expenses, $6.

Rector here only twenty Sundays.

A. J. MORRILL, Lay Delegate.

GETHSEMANE MISSION, PROCTORSVILLE.

REV. THOMAS S. OCKFORD, Missionary.

Families 18, comprising individuals 52, individuals not included in families 7, total 59; Baptisms—Children 5; whole number baptized persons in the Parish 40; Communicants—Number last reported 23, added 1, died 1; present number, males 4, females 19, total 22; Sunday School—Teachers: Females 2; Pupils: Males 9, females 21, total 30.

Offerings—Missions, Diocesan,	$11 00
" General S. S.,	5 00
Other Church offerings,	16 00
Trust Fund,	7 00
Total of offerings,	$39 00

Church Services—Once every Sunday. One week-day service each week in Lent, and on most of the Holy days.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $2,300; insurance $1,500; condition good.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $135; Board of Land Agents, $95; annual subscriptions, $35; Board of Mission, $167.25.

Indebtedness—None.

Missionary's salary, $325; other expenses, $28; traveling expenses, $74.

ST. ANN'S MISSION, RICHFORD.

REV. FOREST H. BLUNT, Missionary.

J. H. HAMILTON, Warden.

N. F. HAMILTON, Treasurer.

JAMES M. HAMILTON, Secretary.

Families 19, comprising individuals 65, individuals not included in families 15, total 80; Baptisms—Adults 3, children 6, total 9; whole number of baptized persons in the Parish 54; Confirmation—Males 1, females 3, total 4; Communicants—Number last reported 31, added 4, received 4, removed 1; present number, males 7, females 31, total 38; Marriages 6; Funerals 3; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 1, females 3, total 4; Pupils: Males 14, females 22, total 36.

Offerings—Missions, Domestic,		$10 00
	Convention Fund,	3 00
	By Sunday School not included in the above,	21 42
	Bishop's visitation,	6 40
	Easter offering,	9 80
	Total of offerings,	$50 62

Church Services—Morning and evening service every Sunday. Special services during Advent and Lent. The Missionary finished his regular services here the fourth Sunday after Easter.

Church edifice built of wood ; valued at $3,000 ; insurance $2,000 ; condition good, save that wall is slightly damaged by frost.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $225 ; Board of Land Agents, $75.

Indebtedness—None.

Restor's salary, $475 (about); Sexton's salary, $26 ; other expenses, $20.

During the last year we have paid $200 in Church debts.

J. H. HAMILTON,
Lay Delegate.

ST. MARK'S MISSION, SPRINGFIELD.

THE DIOCESAN MISSIONARY IN CHARGE.

A. M. ALLBE, Warden.

H. T. BOULETTE, Treasurer.

LAFAYETTE S. SCOTT, Secretary.

Families 18, comprising individuals 50 ; individuals not included in families 5, total 55 ; Baptisms—Adult 1 ; whole number of baptized persons in the Parish 44 ; Confirmations —Males 1, females 4, total 5 ; Communicants—Number last reported 20, added 4, received 2, removed 2, died 1, present number, males 6, females 17, total 23 ; Funeral 1.

Offerings—Missions, Diocesan,	$24 40
Other Church offerings viz :	
Woman's Auxiliary,	7 60
For Current expenses,	42 00
Total of offerings,	$74 00

Church Services—Until Easter services have been held by the Diocesan Missionary on the first Sunday of every month, the Holy Communion being celebrated on each Sunday. Since April 1st, the Rev. Victor M. Haughton, of Charlestown, N. H., has kindly officiated in the afternoon on the first, second and third Sundays of the month, the Diocesan Missionary going on the fourth Sunday. This arrangement promises much for the welfare of the Mission. A lot has been secured on which to put a Chapel, which will probably be built at no distant day, when we hope that the congregation will be materially increased.

ST. PAUL'S MISSION, WHITE RIVER JUNCTION.

REV. ALGERNON T. BROWN, Missionary.

S. L. FARMAN, Warden and Secretary.

T. J. WEST, Treasurer.

ARTHUR G. BUGBEE, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 27, comprising individuals 72, individuals not included in families 8, total 80; Baptisms—Children 2, total 2; Confirmations—Female 1; Communicants—Number last reported 40; added 6, received 1, removed 5; present number, males 15, females 27, total 42.

Offerings—Missions, Diocesan,	$40 00
Other Church offerings, viz.:	
Missionary Board assessment,	4 00
Bishop's request for Missionary work,	3 75
Total of offerings,	$47 15

Church Services—Every Sunday morning in the year.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood ; valued at $4,000 ; insurance $2,000 ; condition good.

Income—From offerings made in Church, $316.31 ; Board of Land Agents, $92 ; Ladies of the Mission, $75 ; Offerings in Church at North Hartland, $34.25 ; Missionary Board, $150.

Indebtedness—For Convention Fund, $6.

Missionary's salary, $766 ; sexton's salary, $20 ; teams to North Hartland, $54.25 ; other expenses, $36.90.

T. J. WEST, Treasurer.

TRINITY MISSION, WINOOSKI.

REV. J. ISHAM BLISS, D. D., Missionary

REV. GEORGE Y. BLISS, Assistant Minister.

JAMES D. TANNER, M. D., Warden.

GEORGE D. NASH, Secretary.

WILLIAM A. TOWNE, Treasurer.

Families 34, comprising individuals 131, individuals not included in families 15, total 146 ; Baptisms—Adults 5, children 4, total 9 ; whole number of baptized persons in the Parish 91 ; Confirmations—Males 2, females 4, total 6 ;

Communicants—Number last reported 52, added 6, received 3, removed 4, died 2, present number, males 19, females 36, total 55; actual communicants 38; Funerals 2; Sunday School—Teachers: Males 2, females 3, total 5; Pupils: Males 16, females 26, total 42.

Offerings—Missions, Diocesan,	$ 12 86
" General,	4 29
By Sunday School, not included in the above,	21 10
Other Church offerings, viz.:	
By subscription for repairs,	466 60
Total of offerings,	$504 85

Church Services—Sundays, at 10:30 A. M., during Lent, Wednesday evenings and Good Friday. The Church building has been improved during the year, by having a cellar dug under it, a stone foundation laid, and a furnace placed within. Other improvements in the interior are now being made.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

Church edifice built of wood; valued at $3,500; insurance $1,500; condition good.

Income—From offerings made in church, $77.40; Board of Land Agents, $70; Annual subscriptions, $226.37; Board of Missions, $150.

Indebtedness—None.

Rector's salary, $400; sexton's salary, $25.50; expenses for music, $54.88; other expenses, $54.12.

JAMES D. TANNER, M. D.,
Lay Delegate.

VERMONT EPISCOPAL INSTITUTE, BURLINGTON.

HENRY H. ROSS, Principal.

HENRY H. ROSS, JUDSON B. HOWARD, Licensed Lay Readers.

Families 1, comprising individuals 3, individuals not included in families 44, total 47; Baptisms—Adults 4; whole number of baptized persons in the Institute 32; Confirmations—Males 6; Communicants—Number last reported 15, received 4, added 6, removed 5, died 1; present number, males 17, females 2, total 19. Funerals 1.

Offerings—Alms at the Holy Communion,	$ 7 30
Missions, Diocesan,	50 00
Sheet music,	1 26
Chandelier for chancel,	35 00
Book racks,	7 00
Lenten services,	6 00
St. Paul's Church, Burlington,	75 00
Fur-lined coat for the Bishop,	140 00
Total of offerings,	$321 56

Church Services—Daily morning and evening prayer. Services every Sunday in the school Chapel.

DIOCESAN MISSIONARY'S REPORT.

To the Rt. Rev., the Bishop of the Diocese:

For nearly two and a half years I have been serving as "General Missionary" of the Diocese. I have not been canonically transferred to the Diocese simply and solely because of the uncertainty which has existed concerning the contin-

uance of the work. Within the Conventional year just ending, the Missionary Committee felt obliged to notify me, that on account of the bankrupt condition of the Missionary treasury, they could not be responsible for my salary beyond October 1st. But the faithful women of the Woman's Auxiliary came to the rescue and took upon themselves the entire financial responsibility of the work, until the Convention should meet in June. For the last seven months, therefore, I have been working under the financial auspices of the Woman's Auxiliary, and I desire to record my own appreciation of their devotion and zeal.

On account of the large number of vacancies in the Missions of the Diocese—seven such vacancies, affecting twelve different points, having existed for a considerable time—more of my time than usual has been given to such Missions during the last three or four months. During the year, however, I have visited sixty-one different towns and villages; have held one hundred and thirty-two Sunday, and a good many week-day services; have celebrated the Holy Communion fifty-three times; have preached to congregations aggregating seven thousand seven hundred people, comprising thirty-eight hundred different persons; have baptized four adults and twenty-five children—a total of twenty-nine; have helped to prepare and directly or indirectly presented thirty-two persons for Confirmation; and have officiated at two funerals. I have found two hundred and thirty or more confirmed members of the Chureh, most of whom have at some time been actual communicants, living where they have no access to the services of the Church except as they may be visiting abroad, or these services may be very infrequently brought to them. Most of these have seemed very glad to hear again the voice of their beloved

Church, and to receive for themselves or for their children her blessed Sacraments. And are not these scattered members of the household *entitled* to receive at our hands as frequent ministrations as we can give them? Shall we, who enjoy so much, *grudge* them the little that we can give them?

As for the "general" work outside our own immediate household, I have still continued to hold frequent public services, for the most part in the places of worship of our brethren of other names, wherever I have found a few of our own people. And I have continued to find these "brethren" very hospitable in offering the use of their churches, frequently giving up their regular service to me, and heartily joining in the responses of our service. In such places I have always, without exception, had the full Morning and Evening Prayer, since it seems to me, that in the trend among all Christian people toward liturgical service it is incumbent on us to show them, so far as we may, just what the historic liturgical service of the Church is,—what the wisdom of the ages has approved as the most edifying formulas of worship,—and the difference between these ancient and approved formulas and the modern make-shifts, by means of which men are struggling to satisfy an ardent longing for something better than they have had in the way of common prayer and praise. Having great confidence in the Prayer Book as a missionary agent, it seems to me one of the most important items of my "general missionary" work to bring this book to the attention of those who know it not, and, so far as opportunity offers, to teach them its use. The musical features of our service appeal strongly to all lovers of sacred music, and I find that those who sing readily learn and gladly learn our chants and anthems, and that

those who listen gladly hear them, finding them worshipful as well as in some degree novel. I find also that most congregations with a little instruction join quite heartily in the responses. I most devoutly believe, that the "unity," which we so ardently long for, is to be more rapidly accomplished through the Prayer Book than through any other agency. The personal influence of Bishops and other Clergy, the well-ordered lives of faithful church people, the careful presentation of the historic claims of the Church, and recognized obligation to use her Sacraments,—these are the fundamental and abiding means of attaching men to her. But the most notable agency and the common solvent is the Prayer Book. This it is, which in the vast majority of instances first arrests and fixes the attention of men, engages their interest, reduces them to a common manner of worship, and so *prepares* them for a common belief and a common use of all the privileges of the "one Catholic and Apostolic Church."

As for the details of the work, those which concern our established Missions will be found in the formal reports of those Missions, and I would like to call special attention to those from Springfield and Barre. I find no place in the Diocese where it would seem wise at present to organize a new Mission—the two points, where such organization would have been possible a year ago, if we could have raised money for the purpose, being now pre-occupied. The best that can be done just now is, that the Diocesan Missionary or neighboring Clergymen should hold such services as they may, wherever our church people may be found. The most important point of this sort is Lyndonville, where we have something more than thirty communicants, and where I prepared a class of seven persons, who were confirmed at St.

Johnsbury. Further details will be found *in extenso* in the quarterly issues of *The Mountain Echo*, where they will be brought to the attention of our Church folk generally, as well as to that of the Bishop.

WILLIAM J. HARRIS,

Diocesan Missionary.

Rutland, June 1, 1894.

RECAPITULATION—Parishes.

Parishes.	Associated with.	Rectors.	Souls.	Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Number of Communicants.	Number of Male Communicants.	Number of Children in Sunday School.	Salary of Rector.	Rectory.	Aid from Board of Land Agent.	Aid from Missionary Committee.
Arlington	[N. H.]	J. C. Carnahan	315	11	....	159	56	58	$ 700 00	Yes	$ 46 00	
Bellows Falls	Drewsville,	D. L. Sanford		6	....		....	100	1,200 00	Yes		
Bennington	.....	*G. L. Richardson*	500	4	....	165	50	70	1,200 00	Yes		
Bethel	Royalton	.....	92	....	....	50	11	25	.....	Yes	75 00	
Brandon	Forestdale	W. F. Weeks	277	5	4	108	18	33	1,000 00	Yes	100 00	
Brattleboro	Guilford	W. H. Collins	270	5	2	130	35	62	1,400 00	Yes		
Burlington	Winooski	J. I. Bliss, G. Y. Bliss, Asst	1094	35	31	546	191	194	2,000 00	Yes		
Chester	Proctorsville	T. S. Ockford	140	2	....	77	18	32	525 00	Yes	75 00	
East Berkshire	Montgomery	*F. H. Blunt*	77	3	....	41	13	38	320 00	Yes	50 00	
Enosburgh	Enosb'g Falls	E. L. Stone	73	2	....	29	8	22	387 41	No	95 00	$100 00
Enosb'gh Falls	Enosburgh	E. L. Stone	185	14	9	93	25	45	480 31	Yes	95 00	100 00
Guilford	Brattleboro	W. H. Collins, A. D. Brown, D	24	....	2	15	3	...	.....	Yes	50 00	
Highgate	.....	.....	70	11		..	....	22	... .	No	95 00	

RECAPITULATION—Parishes, *Continued*.

Hydeville	Fair Haven	J. Anketell, S.E. Hanger, A	96	1	5	50	17	42	$ 150 00	No	$ 100 00	
Island Pond		T. J. Bell		13		65		51	800 00	No	95 00	$ 800 00
Manch'r Centre	Manchester	J. C. Flanders	181	3	7	98	30	53	750 00	Yes	75 00	
Middlebury	E. Middleb'y	S. B. Blunt	163	14	20	114	31	37	700 00	Yes		
Montgomery	E. Berkshire	F. H. Blunt	74			34	6	24	260 00	No	75 00	
Montpelier		A. N. Lewis	361	15	18	201	66	90	1,200 00	Yes		
Newport	North Troy	*A. A. Cairns*	116	1		31		30		No	50 00	
Northfield			105	6		61	15	58	700 00	Yes	75 00	
Poultney	Wells & Middletown Sp'gs	E. H. Randall	273	16	25	137	30	51	800 00	No	95 00	
Randolph	W. Randolph	H. White	52			33	8	20	400 00	No	75 00	
West Randolph	Randolph	H. White	102	12	7	62	15	25	600 00	No	75 00	
Royalton			48			28	7			No		
Rutland		C. M. Niles	932	80	55	583		165	1,800 00	Yes		
West Rutland			47	2	3	35	11	18		Yes	6 00	
St. Albans		A. B. Flanders	771	30		428	158	172	1,500 00	Yes		
St. Johnsbury		F. Appleton	363	15	12	197	65	86	1,000 00	Yes		
Shelburne		B. W. Atwell	123	6	10	65	23	24	1,500 00	No		
Sheldon			64	7		37	8	5		Yes	21 90	
Swanton			117	13		45	7	47		No		
Vergennes		E. B. Smith	167	10		99	44	52	1,000 00	Yes		
Wells	Poultney	E. N. Randall	38			20	2		200 00	No	30 00	50 00
Windsor		E. W. Goddard		8		74	21	15	650 40	Yes	46 25	
Woodstock		F. W. Smith	130	1		61	16	35	1,000 00	Yes		
			7440	351	210	3971	1008	1801	$25,223 12		$1,500 15	$550 00

RECAPITULATION—MISSIONS.

Missions.	Associated with.	Ministers.	Souls.	Baptisms.	Confirmed.	No. of Communicants.	No. of Male Communicants.	No. of Children in Sunday School.	Salary of Minister.	Parsonage.	Aid from Board of Land Agents.	Aid from Missionary Com.
Barre		The Diocesan Mis.	240	25	15	50	19	47	$ 265 62	No	$100	
Graniteville			75	..	6	15	7	..		No		
Cambridge Boro			20	..	..	6	0	....	50 17	No		$50
Cambridge Center			16	..	..	4	0	....	50 95	No	70	50
Fairfax		G. Graves	76	4	..	22	7	....	163 55	Yes	70	50
Georgia			56	1	1	9	0	8	134 87	No		18 75
Jericho			34	..	..	11	3	....	104 98	No	70	100
Milton			54	2	2	19	1	7	241 32	No		137 50
E. Middlebury	Middlebury	S. B. Blunt	78	12	9	26	5	39	200	No		
Fair Haven	Hydeville	J. Anketell	106	8	10	69	16	27	400	No		
Forestdale	Brandon	W. F. Weeks	122	..	2	13	2	29		No		75
Manchester	Manchester Ctr	*J. C. Flanders*	11	8	..	1	0	..	130	No	50	
North Troy	Newport	*A. A. Cairns.*	31	..	..	20	4	22	50	No	29	
Proctorsville	Chester	T. S. Ockford	59	5	..	23	4	30	325	No	95	167 25
Richford		F. H. Blunt	80	9	4	38	7	36	475	No	75	
Springfield		The Gen. Missionary, *V. M. Haughton*	55	1	4	23	6	....		No		
White River Junction		*A. T. Brown*	80	2	1	42	15	....	766	No	92	150
Winooski	Burlington	J. I. Bliss, G.Y. Bliss	146	9	6	55	19	42	400	No	70	100
Vermont Episcopal Inst.	The Bishop Hopkin's Hall	Assistant, The Bp. of the Diocese	47	4	6	19	17	....		No		
			1386	90	66	465	132	287	$3757 46		$721 00	$898 50

[APPENDIX B.]

LIST OF THE CLERGY

OF THE

DIOCESE OF VERMONT,

WITH THE PARISHES UNDER THEIR CHARGE.

1894.

NOTE—The date after name is that of present Canonical Residence.

BISHOP:

The Rt. Rev. ARTHUR CRAWSHAY ALLISTON HALL, D. D.

PRIESTS:

The Rev. *John Anketell* [June 7, 1893], Rector of St. James's, Hydeville, and Missionary at St. Luke's, Fair Haven.

" *Frank Appleton* [June 7, 1893], Rector of St. Andrew's St. Johnsbury.

" *Benjamin W. Atwell* [October 22, 1888], Rector of Trinity Shelburne.

" *Thomas Bell* [March 20, 1890], Rector of Christ Church, Island Pond.

" *J. Isham Bliss, D. D.* [September 15, 1858], Rector of St. Paul's Burlington, and Missionary at Trinity Mission, Winooski.

The Rev. *George Y. Bliss* [June 12, 1892], Assistant Minister of St. Paul's Burlington, and Trinity Mission, Winooski.

" *Algernon T. Brown* [May 24, 1894], Missionary at St. Paul's White River Junction.

" *Forest H. Blunt* [February 5, 1893], Rector of Calvary East Berkshire, and of Union, Montgomery.

" *Simon B. Blunt* [February 5, 1893], Rector of St. Stephen's Middlebury, and Missionary at St. Barnabas, East Middlebury.

" *James C. Carnahan* [Nov. 3, 1893], Rector of St. James', Arlington.

" *William H. Collins* [October 3, 1869], Rector of St. Michael's Brattleboro, and in charge of Christ Church, Guilford.

" *Alonzo B. Flanders, D. D.* [February 4, 1868], Rector of St. Luke's, St. Albans.

" *James C. Flanders* [October 1, 1886], Rector of Zion, Manchester Centre, and Missionary at St. John's, Manchester.

" *Gemont Graves* [March 16, 1872], Missionary at Milton, Georgia, Jericho, Fairfax, Cambridge Centre and Cambridge Boro.

" *Edward N. Goddard* [June 4, 1879], Rector of St. Paul's, Windsor.

" *Lucius M. Hardy* [September 6, 1888], Principal of Bishop Hopkins Hall, Burlington.

" *George B. Johnson* [June 1, 1894], Bishop's Chaplain, Burlington.

" *Edward P. Lee* [Sept. 3, 1883], Residence at West Somerville, Mass.

" *Alonzo N. Lewis* [April 28, 1892], Rector of Christ Church, Montpelier.

" *Lovis McDonald* [1826.], Residence at Brattleboro.

" *Charles M. Niles* [February 15, 1890], Rector of Trinity, Rutland.

" *Thomas S. Ockford* [March 10, 1883], Rector of St. Luke's, Chester, and Missionary at Gethsemane Mission, Proctorsville.

The Rev. *Edward H. Randall* [Nov. 30, 1869], Rector of St. John's, Poultney, and of St. Paul's, Wells.

" *George Lynde Richardson* [March 24, 1894], Rector of St. Peter's, Bennington.

" *David L. Sanford* [Nov. 18, 1889], Rector of Immanuel, Bellows Falls.

" *Edmund Banks Smith* [October 6, 1891], Rector of St. Paul's, Vergennes.

" *Francis W. Smith* [Nov. 20, 1877], Rector of St. James's, Woodstock.

" *Moses P. Stickney* [Nov. 2, 1871], Residence at Royalton.

" *Edward S. Stone* [June 23, 1889], Rector of Christ Church, Enosburgh, and of St. Matthew's, Enosburgh Falls.

" *William Farrar Weeks* [Oct. 2, 1888], Rector of St. Thomas's, Brandon, and Missionary at Grace, Forestdale.

" *Homer White, S. T. D.* [June 1, 1869], Rector of Grace, Randolph, and of St. John's, West Randolph.

" *George A. Wilkins*, Residence at Decatur, Ill.

DEACONS.

The Rev. *Allan D. Brown* [Nov. 30, 1892], assisting at Christ Church, Guilford. Residence, Brattleboro.

" *Samuel E. Hanger* [May 19, 1894], Assistant Minister of St. James's, Hydeville.

PRIESTS MINISTERING BY LICENSE IN THE DIOCESE, BUT NOT CANONICALLY ATTACHED THERETO.

The Rev. *William J. Harris, D. D.*, Diocesan Missionary.

" *George Joseph Sutherland*, in charge of St. Mary's, Northfield.

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

Arthur W. Stone, Swanton.
Frederick Barnby Leach, Highgate.
Richard Edmund Armstrong, Richford.
George B. Gilbert, Randolph.
Henry Closson Gilbert, Randolph.
William Cyprian Hopkins, Jr., Burlington.
Walter Harriman Cambridge, Burlington.

[APPENDIX C.]

Convention Expenses.

RECEIPTS.

St. James', Arlington,	$ 24 00
St. Peter's, Bennington,	28 00
Christ, Bethel,	8 00
Immanuel, Bellows Falls,	45 00
Immanuel, Bellows Falls, 1892,	67 00
St. Thomas, Brandon,	16 00
St. Michael's, Brattleboro,	25 00
St. Paul's Burlington,	86 00
St. Luke's, Chester,	12 00
Christ, Enosburgh,	3 00
St. Matthew's, Enosburgh Falls,	10 00
Christ, Fairfax,	3 00
Zion, Manchester Centre,	14 00
St. Stephen's, Middlebury,	20 00
St. Stephen's, Middlebury, 1892,	10 00
Trinity, Milton,	10 00
Union, Montgomery,	4 00
Christ, Montpelier,	35 00
St. Mary's, Northfield,	10 00
St. Mary's, Northfield, 1892,	15 00
St. John's, Poultney,	20 00

Grace, Randolph,	4 00
St. Ann's, Richford,	3 00
Trinity, Rutland,	86 00
Trinity, Shelburne,	10 00
St. Luke's, St. Albans,	75 00
St. Andrew's, St. Johnsbury,	28 00
Holy Trinity, Swanton,	8 00
St. Paul's, Vergennes,	16 00
St. Paul's, Wells, 1891, 1892,	12 00
St. John's, West Randolph,	6 00
St. Paul's, White River Junction,	6 00
St. Paul's Windsor,	10 00
St. James', Woodstock,	10 00
Balance due Treasurer,	380 79
	$1,109 79

PAYMENTS.

Balance from last report,	$ 86 63
Printing and distributing Convention Journals,	437 26
Expenses at Consecration of Bishop,	245 44
Expenses of Secretary of Convention,	30 00
Expenses of Standing Committee,	88 04
Printing, stationery, postage and incidentals,	44 02
Interest on temporary loan,	3 00
Expenses of Missionary Committee,	11 85
Traveling expenses of Clergy at Special Convention,	68 30
Traveling expenses of Clergy at Convention of 1894,	95 25
	$1,109 79

UNPAID ASSESSMENTS.

St. Luke's, Fair Haven, 1893,	$ 6 00	
Trinity, Fairfield, 1890, 1891, 1892,	10 00	
Christ, Island Pond, 1893,	6 00	
Union, Montgomery, 1889, 1890, 1891,	21 00	
St. Mark's, Newport, 1893,	4 00	
St. Mary's, Northfield, 1892,	15 00	
		$62 00

EDWARD L. TEMPLE,

Treasurer.

Rutland, Vt., June 7, 1894.

The undersigned hereby certifies that he has examined the respective accounts of the Treasurer of the Diocese and finds the same to be correct and sustained by proper vouchers.

JESSE BURDETT,

For the Committee on Finance.

[APPENDIX D.]

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE FUND

FOR THE

SUPPORT OF THE BISHOP

For the year Ending June 7, 1894.

To the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Bishop of the Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Vermont,

Gentlemen:

As your Treasurer, I beg to submit the following report for the convention year ending June 4th, 1894:

PRINCIPAL FUND.

Amount received from former Treasurer,	$36,112 90
Less balance due and paid to sinking fund,	45 37
Principal of Fund at this date,	$36,067 53
The Principal fund is invested as follows:	
100 shares stock, Rensselær & Saratoga R. R., par value $10,000, rate 8 per cent., inventoried at cost, 140,	$14,000 00

First mortgage, 7 per cent., bonds of the Delaware & Hudson Canal Co., due 1917, par value $5,000, at cost, 128,	$6,400 00
Notes secured by first mortgages of Real Estate, rate 6 per cent.,	6,000 00
Note secured by first mortgages of Real Estate, rate 6½ per cent.,	5,000 00
Note of St. Paul's Parish, Burlington,	2,500 00
Note of St. Luke's Parish, St. Albans,	1,200 00
Deposited in Burlington Savings Bank,	967 53
	$36,067 53

INCOME ACCOUNT.

Balance received from former Treasurer,	$ 21 35
Interest collected,	2,103 50
	$2,124 85
Paid to E. L. Temple, Treasurer,	$1,300 00
Paid to sinking fund,	70 00
Paid for recording deed,	50
Balance, cash on hand, subject to order of the Trustees,	754 35
	$2,124 85

SINKING FUND.

Balance received from former Treasurer,	$618 74
Balance due and paid by permanent fund,	45 37
Received from Income account,	70 00
Interest,	21 11
	$755 22

Deposited in Burlington Trust Co., to credit of
Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, $755 22

HENRY L. WARD,

Treasurer.

Examined and found correct:

F. C. KENNEDY,

Auditor of the Board.

We have audited the foregoing account of Henry L. Ward, Treasurer of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, and find it correct. We have examined the secureties held by said fund and they agree with the report.

GEO. R. BOTTUM,
JAMES B. JONES,
DANIEL W. ROBINSON,
} *Auditors of Trust Funds.*

[APPENDIX E.]

Report of the Standing Committee.

The Standing Committee respectfully report that after the Annual Convention of the Diocese, they organized by electing the Rev. Dr. J. Isham Bliss as President, and the Rev. Dr. A. B. Flanders as Secretary.

In consequence of the declination of the Bishopric by the Rev. Dr. Samuel Hart they summoned a special convention for the election of a Bishop, to meet on August 30, 1893, at Burlington.

The Committee has given its Canonical consent to the consecration of the Rev. Joseph Blount Cheshire, D. D., as Assistant Bishop of North Carolina, and of the Rev. John Brackenborough Newton, M. D., as Assistant Bishop of Virginia.

During the vacancy of the See the Standing Committee, acting as the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, received A. F. Halford, Homer Abiel Flint, Benjamin Wellington Paxton as Postulates of the sacred Ministry, and admitted George B. Gilbert and Richard Edmund Armstrong as Candidates for Holy Orders. The Committee sanctioned the organization of St. Paul's Mission, White River Junction; received the transfer of the Rev. James C. Carnahan from the Diocese of Western New York.

At the request of the Committee, acting as the Ecclesiastical Authority, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Burgess, Bishop of Quincy, ordained the Rev. Simon B. Blunt to the Priesthood; administered Confirmation at Montpelier, Brandon and Forestdale; and pronounced sentence of deposition on the Rev. William Bogert Walker, who had renounced the Ministry.

Since the consecration of the present Bishop, the Standing Committee signed the testimonials of the Rev. Forest Haden Blunt, recommending him for admission to the Priesthood; and of Samuel Ebenezer Hanger, recommending him for ordination to the Diaconate. They have also recommended Walter Harriman Cambridge, William Cyprian Hopkins Jr., and Henry Closson Gilbert to be admitted Candidates for Holy Orders.

The Committee consented to the Bishop's proposal to make void the parochial organization of St. John's Church, Manchester Village, and to place it on the list of Missions in accordance with the provision of the amendment to Canon XI, Title II, Sec. 2 of the Diocesan Canons.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. FLANDERS,

Secretary.

[APPENDIX F.]

Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1893.

June 21. Amount of fund, $10,973 26

RECEIPTS.

Christ, Montpelier,	$5 00	
Immanuel, Bellows Falls,	4 50	
St. James', Woodstock,	6 34	
St. Paul's, Vergennes,	4 50	
Trinity, Rutland,	16 00	
Christ, Bethel,	2 50	
Zion, Manchester Center,	2 78	
Christ, Enosburgh,	53	
St. Matthew's, Enosburgh Falls,	4 03	
St. Michael's, Brattleboro,	3 86	
Christ, Island Pond,	1 00	
St. Paul's, Burlington,	40 96	
		$92 00
Interest on investments,		714 79
		$11,780 05

DISBURSEMENTS.

	Appropriation for Rev. Louis McDonald,	$195 00	
	Accrued interest on securities purchased,	29 99	
			$224 99
1894.			
June 6.	Amount of Fund,		$11,555 06

INVESTED AS FOLLOWS:

Loans on real estate,	$10,200 00	
Loans on personal security,	517 00	
Clark Co., Illinois, bond	79 00	
On deposit in Ottauquechee Savings Bank, Woodstock,	759 06	
		$11,555 06

CHARLES F. CHAPMAN,

Treasurer.

ST. ALBANS. VT., June 6, 1894.

We, the undersigned, having verified the above report of Charles F. Chapman, Treasurer of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen of the Diocese of Vermont, find the same to be correct, and the securities as stated in said report.

GEO. R. BOTTUM,
JAMES B. JONES,
DANIEL W. ROBINSON,
} *Auditors of Trust Funds.*

[APPENDIX G.]

Alonzo Jackman Fund.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1893.

June 21.	Amount of Fund,	$3,052 03
	RECEIPTS.	
	Interest on investments,	198 58
		$3,250 61
	DISBURSEMENTS.	
	Appropriation for Helen S. Hutchings,	$100 00
1894.		
June 6.	Amount of Fund,	$3,150 61
	INVESTED AS FOLLOWS.	
	Loans on Real Estate, $2,710 00	
	On deposit in Ottauquechee Savings Bank, Woodstock, 440 61	
		$3,150 61

CHARLES F. CHAPMAN,
Treasurer.

St. Albans, Vt., June 6, 1894.

We, the undersigned, having verified the above report of Charles F. Chapman, Treasurer of the Alonzo Jackman Fund, for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen of the Diocese of Vermont, find the same to be correct and the securities as stated in said report.

GEO. R. BOTTUM,
JAMES B. JONES,
DANIEL W. ROBINSON,
Auditors of Trust Funds.

[APPENDIX H.]

REPORT OF THE Missionary Committee

OF THE DIOCESE OF VERMONT.

The Missionary Committee would respectfully present the following report :

The Committee have met frequently during the past year, and in several instances to devise measures to avert a financial condition of things, which would have added greatly to the trials of the Missionary Clergy. By the blessings of God, what appeared as an ominous cloud passed away, and offerings from various sources relieved the pressure, and enabled the payment of the stipends with considerable regularity. At the time of the Bishop's consecration, there was a deficit in the treasury, but it was made up by the large offerings at the service, and by the generous gifts of Mr. Henry Wells and Dr. W. Seward Webb, who are always ready to help on the aggressive work of the Diocese. There is still the necessity for asking the Parishes for greater promptness in meeting their apportionments, which are ordered by Canon to be paid quarterly.

There should be the same conscience regarding this important duty as for any other, in providing for carrying on God's work. As new fields are opening, and the older, in consequence of removals and death, will need assistance, a strenous effort should be made, not only to raise the present amount appropriated to Diocesan Missions, but it should be very much increased. It is a true saying, "that where there is a will, there is a way," and this applies to labor for

Christ, and His Church. The Committee feel the need and the importance for putting efficient men into the Mission field, and they cannot be had on a meagre stipend. Poor pay, and you get poor work, for every reason that can be named. There is not a place in this State where a Rector can live, and be a man, on less than a thousand a year, if he has a family, and he is very likely sooner or later to have one, and this should be the minimum amount paid for services. The Committee feel, therefore, that instead of Parishes finding fault when they are urged to pay their apportionment, or to increase their giving, they should rather be pleased to know that those appointed to assist the Bishop in sustaining the Mission work, are thoroughly alive to its interests, and on the alert to infuse the same spirit into the whole Body of Christ. We are confronted on every hand by those who either deny the Christian religion, or present a one-sided view of it, and we are bound to resist these movements in such a manner, as will show our confidence in what we profess. If our efforts are sluggish, and poorly sustained financially, we must expect proportionate results, and we must yield the ground to other bodies possessing greater vitality and earnestness. Just now, there is a decided cordiality towards the Church among the people generally, and we should take advantage of the situation. If we do our duty, we shall certainly witness large accessions to our numbers. In conclusion, the Committee with much thankfulness are able to announce, that not only are the stipends of the past year all paid, but as the Treasurer's report indicates, there is a balance on hand in the treasury. This we would remark, however, is partly due to the fact that some of the stations have been vacant. There is the utmost encouragement to redouble our efforts to swell the amount of our appropriations to Diocesan Missions.

BENJAMIN WARREN ATWELL, *Secretary.*

Apportionments and Appropriations Made by the Missionary Committee for the Conventional Year of 1894 and 1895.

PARISHES.	Apportionments.	Appropriations.
St. James', Arlington	$ 50 00	
Mission, Averill		$ 50 00
St. Peter's, Bennington	80 00	
Good Shepherd, Barre	20 00	300 00
Christ, Bethel	20 00	
Immanuel, Bellows Falls	190 00	
St. Thomas', Brandon	50.00	
St. Michael's, Brattleboro	80 00	
St. Paul's, Burlington	550 00	
Holy Apostles, Cambridge Centre	9 00	
Holy Cross, Cambridge Boro	7 00	
Christ, Fairfax	20 00	
Emmanuel, Georgia	10 00	425 00
Calvary, Jericho	10 00	
Trinity, Milton	15 00	
St. Luke's, Chester	40 00	
Calvary, East Berkshire	20 00	
St. Barnabas, East Middlebury	25 00	100 00
Christ, Enosburgh	25 00	100 00
St. Matthew's, Enosburgh Falls	25 00	
St. Luke's, Fair Haven	20 00	
St. James', Hydeville	10 00	300 00
Mission, Castleton		
Grace, Forestdale	5 00	100 00
Christ, Guilford	15 00	
St. John's, Highgate	10 00	
Grace, Sheldon	10 00	300 00
Holy Trinity, Swanton	20 00	
Christ, Island Pond	30 00	300 00
St. John's, Manchester	10 00	
Zion, Manchester Centre	40 00	
Union, Montgomery	20 00	
Christ, Montpelier	175 00	
St. Mark's, Newport	20 00	
St. Augustine's, North Troy	10 00	300 00
St. Mary's, Northfield	35 00	
Mission, North Hartland		
St. Paul's, White River Junction	30 00	300 00
St. John's, Poultney	60 00	
Gethsemane, Proctorsville	10 00	200 00
Grace, Randolph	25 00	175 00
St. John's, West Randolph	25 00	

APPORTIONMENTS AND APPROPRIATIONS MADE BY THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE FOR THE CONVENTIONAL YEAR OF 1894 AND 1895.

Continued.

PARISHES.	Apportionments.	Appropriations.
St. Ann's, Richford	$ 10 00	$150 00
St. Paul's, Royalton	10 00	
Trinity, Rutland	400 00	
Trinity, Shelburne	100 00	
St. Mark's, Springfield	5 00	150 00
St. Luke's, St. Albans	175 00	
St. Andrews, St. Johnsbury	50 00	
St. Paul's, Vergennes	60 00	
St. Paul's, Wells	5 00	50 00
Grace, West Rutland	25 00	
St. Paul's, Windsor	55 00	
Trinity, Winooski	15 00	150 00
St. James', Woodstock	40 00	
Diocesan Missionary		1,500 00
Total	$2,726 00	$4,950 00

BENJAMIN W. ATWELL,
Secretary.

[APPENDIX I.]

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

RECEIPTS.

From 10 per cent. assessment on apportionment of all Parishes and Missions levied by last Convention to make up deficiency (all responding except Arlington, Barre, Fairfield, Newport, Royalton, Sheldon, St. Johnsbury and W. Rutland),		$233 75
From special payments to apply on last year's individual deficits, viz.:		
St. Augustine's, North Troy,	$ 5 00	
Trinity, Rutland,	93 08	
St. Andrews, St. Johnsbury,	24 14	
		$122 22
St. James', Arlington,	$ 25 00	
St. Peter's, Bennington,	80 00	
Christ, Bethel,	10 00	
Immanuel, Bellows Falls,	190 00	
Good Shepherd, Barre,	10 00	
St. Thomas', Brandon,	35 68	
St. Michael's, Brattleboro,	80 00	
St. Paul's, Burlington,	549 97	
Holy Apostles', Cambridge Centre,	9 00	
Holy Cross, Cambridge Boro,	7 00	
St. Luke's, Chester,	38 00	
Calvary, East Berkshire,	16 13	

Christ, Enosburgh,	$23 70
St. Matthew's, Enosburgh Falls,	37 41
St. Luke's, Fair Haven,	40 00
Christ, Fairfax,	20 00
Grace, Forestdale,	4 96
Immanuel, Georgia,	10 00
Christ, Guilford,	15 00
St. James', Hydeville,	10 00
St. John's, Highgate,	17 52
Christ, Island Pond,	30 00
Calvary, Jericho,	10 00
Zion, Manchester Centre,	40 00
St. Stephen's, Middlebury,	40 00
Trinity, Milton,	15 00
Union, Montgomery,	10 00
Christ, Montpelier,	175 00
St. Mary's, Northfield,	31 50
St. John's, Poultney,	66 19
Gethsemane, Proctorsville,	10 00
Grace, Randolph,	25 50
St. Ann's, Richford,	7 50
St. Paul's, Royalton,	7 50
Trinity, Rutland,	120 40
Trinity, Shelburne,	200 00
St. Mark's, Springfield,	5 00
St. Luke's, St. Albans,	84 00
St. Andrew's, St. Johnsbury,	23 61
Holy Trinity, Swanton,	25 72
St. Paul's, Vergennes,	60 00
St. Paul's, Wells,	13 68
Grace, West Rutland,	15 00
St. John's, West Randolph,	11 74
St. Paul's, White River Junction.	20 00

St. Paul's, Windsor,	$48 50	
Trinity, Winooski,	16 61	
St. James', Woodstock,	40 36	
Offerings at Convention,	45 50	
Vermont Episcopal Institute,	50 00	
Woman's Auxiliary,	175 00	
Diocesan Missionary,	25 20	
Mrs. H. H. Baxter,	271 92	
Howard Land Fund,*	123 07	
Andrew Buck Fund,*	7 50	
George Briggs Fund,*	28 75	
Abram Stevens Fund,*	20 00	
Permanent Missionary Fund,*	35 36	
Offertory at Bishop's Consecration,	385 97	
Dr. W. Seward Webb, Shelburne,	300 00	
Henry Wells, Burlington,	200 00	
Board of Land Agents,	600 00	
		$4,650
		$5,006

PAYMENTS.

Balance from last report,			$ 6
Stipends, inclusive of $548.95 reported unpaid in last report, viz.:			
Station at	Averill,	12 Months,	50
	Barre,	6	150
	Bethel,	8	50
	East Berkshire, etc.,	10	83
	East Middlebury,	10½	87
	Enosburgh, etc.,	13½	225

*About $180 more of income on these funds has accrued, bu not due till July 1.

Fairfax, etc.,	12	425 00
Fairfax (Lay Service)	5	65 00
Fair Haven, etc.,	13½	337 50
Forestdale,	12	75 00
Highgate, etc.,	5½	114 58
Island Pond,	13½	337 50
Newport, etc.,	7½	187 50
Proctorsville,	13½	193 75
Randolph, etc.,	14	175 00
Richford,	12½	156 25
Sheldon,	3	50 00
Springfield,	3	37 50
Wells,	12	50 00
White River Junct.,	9	226 00
Winooski,	13½	168 75
General Missionary,	8	807 28
Balance on hand,		947 69
		$5,006 42

EDWARD L. TEMPLE,
Treasurer.

Rutland, Vt., June 7, 1894.

The undersigned hereby certifies that he has examined the respective accounts of the Treasurer of the Diocese and finds the same to be correct and sustained by proper vouchers.

JESSE BURDETT,
For the Committee on Finance.

Comparative statement of Receipts for Diocesan Missions (including offerings at the Bishop's visitations), for the Conventional years ending June 1881, to June 1894:

1881,	$2,021 01	
1882,	2,325 14	(Apportionments adopted.)
1883,	2,372 93	
1884,	2,371 07	
1885,	2,814 61	
1886,	2,706 61	
1887,	3,110 42	
1888,	3,039 33	
1889,	3,033 77	(Land Agents contribute.)
1890,	2,972 99	
1891,	3,829 69	(Woman's Auxiliary contribute.)
1892,	3,530 01	
1893,	4,443 38	
1894,	5,221 70	

In 1881, 22 Missions were aided; in 1894, 32.

In 1881, 37 Parishes and Missions contributed; in 1894, 54.

In 1881, 2 other sources of income; in 1894, 12.

[APPENDIX J.]

Diocesan Missions.

OFFERINGS AT BISHOP'S VISITATIONS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last report,	$198 33
Immanuel, Bellows Falls,	13 75
St. Paul's, Burlington,	53 25
Christ, Enosburgh,	3 70
St. Matthew's, Enosburgh Falls,	11 11
St. Luke's, Fair Haven,	4 50
St. James', Hydeville,	5 77
Zion, Manchester Centre,	8 32
Christ, Montpelier,	22 88
Trinity, Rutland,	30 20
Trinity, Shelburne,	21 30
Holy Trinity, Swanton,	4 00
St. Paul's, Vergennes,	14 50
St. Paul's, Windsor,	22 00
	$413 61

PAYMENTS.

On order of Standing Committee, to Rev. S. B. Blunt,	$ 66 50
On order of Standing Committee, to R. C. Searing,	6 00
" Bishop, to B. W. Atwell,	15 00
Balance on hand,	326 11
	$413 61

EDWARD L. TEMPLE,

Treasurer.

Rutland, Vt., June 7, 1894.

The undersigned hereby certifies that he has examined the respective accounts of the Treasurer of the Diocese and finds the same to be correct and sustained by proper vouchers.

JESSE BURDETT,

For the Committee on Finance.

[APPENDIX K.]

General Missions.

RECEIPTS.

Immanuel, Bellows Falls,	$ 32 27
St. Thomas', Brandon,	3 60
St. Paul's, Burlington,	133 38
Holy Apostles', Cambridge Centre,	4 27
Holy Cross, Cambridge Boro,	2 95
St. Matthew's, Enosburgh Falls,	5 00
Christ, Fairfax,	8 48
Immanuel, Georgia,	4 61
Calvary, Jericho,	5 99
Zion, Manchester Centre,	12 02
Trinity, Milton,	9 56
Christ, Montpelier,	40 40
St. Mary's, Northfield,	25 22
St. John's, Poultney,	7 24
Grace, Randolph,	6 43
St. John's, West Randolph,	11 21
St. Paul's, Windsor,	25 00
Trinity, Winooski,	5 54
	$343 17

PAYMENTS.

Remitted to George Bliss, Treasurer, New York, $343 17

EDWARD L. TEMPLE,

Treasurer.

Rutland, Vt., June 7, 1894.

The undersigned hereby certifies that he has examined the respective accounts of the Treasurer of the Diocese and finds the same to be correct and sustained by proper vouchers.

JESSE BURDETT,

For the Committee on Finance.

[APPENDIX M.]

Bishop's Salary.

RECEIPTS.

St. Peters's, Bennington,	$20 00
Christ, Bethel,	5 00
Immanuel, Bellows Falls,	50 00
St. Thomas, Brandon,	10 00
St. Michael's Brattleboro,	15 00
St. Luke's, Chester,	10 00
Calvary, East Berkshire,	5 00
St. Matthew's, Enosburgh Falls,	5 00
Christ, Guilford,	2 00
St. James', Hydeville,	4 00
St. Stephen's, Middlebury,	5 00
Union, Montgomery,	4 00
St. John's, Poultney,	5 00
Grace, Randolph,	5 00
St. Paul's, Royalton,	3 00
St. Andrew's St. Johnsbury,	12 50
St. Paul's, Wells,	2 00
St. Paul's, Wells, 1892,	2 00
Grace, West Rutland,	3 00
St. John's, West Randolph,	5 00
St. James', Woodstock,	15 00
	$187 50

PAYMENTS.

To account with Bishop of the Diocese, $187 50

BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE

In account with TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE.

To balance from last report,		$ 10 80
To cash from Henry L. Ward, Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund,		1,300 00
Thos. H. Canfield, Treasurer of the Vermont Episcopal Institute,		50 00
Assessments on Parishes,		187 50
		$1,548 30
By balance of salary of Bishop Bissell to May 14, 1893,	$ 275 00	
paid for Episcopal services before consecration of the present Bishop,	50 00	
salary of Bishop Hall, for 4 months to June 1, 1894,	1,000 00	
cash on hand,	223 30	
		$1,548 30

UNPAID ASSESSMENTS.

Union, Montgomery, 1889, 1890, 1891,	$12 00
St. John's, West Randolph, 1892,	5 00
	$17 00

EDWARD L. TEMPLE,
Treasurer.

Rutland, Vt., June 7, 1894.

The undersigned hereby certifies that he has examined the respective accounts of the Treasurer of the Diocese and finds the same to be correct and sustained by proper vouchers.

JESSE BURDETT,
For the Committee on Finance.

[APPENDIX N.]

Vermont Episcopal Institute.

THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT.

June 7, 1894.

In preparing their Thirty-eighth Annual Report, the Trustees are compelled to recognize the fact, that the severe financial stringency which has prevailed throughout the country during the past year, has affected the schools as it has other similar institutions and reduced the number of pupils, and consequently the amount of receipts—while the expenses have not been correspondingly reduced, because teachers and others had been engaged at higher rates, before this falling off occurred.

The report of the Principal of the

ACADEMICAL DEPARTMENT

shows that there have been thirty-six pupils in that department, of whom twelve were resident in Vermont. Good work has been performed and a commendable interest taken by the pupils in the various duties assigned them.

Boys from the school this year, will enter the University of Vermont and Trinity College, which have placed the Institute upon the list of schools, as do many other Colleges, which are willing to receive our students upon certificate of the Principal, without further examination.

The regular Military Drill has been maintained, and as in former years, the benefit to the pupils is manifest. It is regarded by the patrons of the school as an important element in the education of their sons.

During the greater part of this year, Sunday Service has been held in the Chapel of the Institute, instead of the boys attending the Parish Church. During Lent, the Rev. E. B. Smith of Vergennes delivered a series of sermons on Wednesday evenings, and on Saturday mornings the Bishop of the Diocese celebrated the Holy Communion and gave a course of instructions to the school. Four boys have been baptized and six confirmed.

The prospects for the coming year so far, are as good as could be expected under the present state of affairs.

BISHOP HOPKINS HALL,

like the boys school, has felt the effect of the hard times and the flattering prospects which were anticipated by the Principal at the Annual Meeting in 1893, have hardly been realized, although perhaps there have been quite as many pupils as could have been expected in view of the severe money pressure, which was experienced throughout the country later on in the year. Many parents who had engaged rooms for their daughters in the early part of the season, were obliged to cancel the engagement subsequently, at the opening of the school year. Notwithstanding all this, a full corps

of teachers has been maintained, and the discipline, training and high scholarship, have been kept up.

The Bishop of the Diocese, since his Consecration, has taken up his temporary residence at the Hall, until his own house should be ready for occupation. He has given a course of instructions in the Chapel during Lent, and has officiated there at other times, when at home.

The arrangement with the Rev. Mr. Hardy, as Principal of the Hall, expiring with the present year, the Trustees have decided to place the school in the charge of a Lady Principal; and have selected for this position, Miss Edith M. Clark, who was formerly connected with the Hall, but more recently with the Norwood Institute for young ladies at Washington, D. C. Miss Clark has had an extensive experience for many years in teaching and managing young ladies' schools, and the Trustees have entire confidence in her ability and fitness for the post. Miss Clark will gather round here a staff of well-trained teachers for the different departments of the school.

Mr. Henry H. Ross, who has so successfully managed the boys school for many years, will take charge of the business affairs of the Hall. His high reputation as a business man, will be a sufficient guarantee that this branch of the institution will be judiciously and faithfully cared for.

The school will be opened on the 20th of September.

It is a matter of much gratification that the Bishop has decided to make his home at Rock Point with a view especially to the interest of the schools. He will, with his resident Chaplain, assume the spiritual care of both institutions. We cannot emphasize more strongly the importance of the schools to the Diocese and the Church at large, than in the words of our report to Convention last year:

"With a Bishop interested in the work of Diocesan Schools living where he will be in daily contact with them, as we hope, giving them the great assistance of his personal influence at Rock Point and in travelling about the Diocese, these schools will be called upon inevitably to do more than ever before. God has given us a property beautifully situated, with natural surroundings and possibilities unsurpassed anywhere; and if the Clergy and His people will give the support the importance of the case demands, the next decade will see these schools doubled in size, and their influence for good quadrupled."

FINANCES.

The Treasurer reports the financial condition of the Institute as follows.

ACADEMICAL DEPARTMENT.

Whole amount received from subscriptions and other sources for the purchase of the real estate and erection of buildings for the Academical Department, etc.,	$79,837 68

DISBURSEMENTS.

Whole amount paid out for real estate, buildings, support of theological students, salary of Willoughby Professor, repairs, and other improvements,	$79,114 29
Leaving balance in treasury,	$723 39

BISHOP HOPKINS HALL.

RECEIPTS.

Amount of Fund left by Bishop Hopkins and other subscriptions, including special contributions by the family of Bishop Hopkins for the chapel,	$62,091 91
Amount of additional subscriptions by Dr. W. Seward Webb during the year 1890,	4,409 34
	$66,501 25

DISBURSEMENTS.

Amount paid for construction of the buildings, water works, gas machine, furnaces, grading the grounds, etc., with everything complete for main building,	$66,470 96
Leaving balance cash on hand,	$30 29

By order of the Board,

THOS. H. CANFIELD,

Treasurer.

Burlington, Vt., June 7, 1894.

[APPENDIX M.]

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

OF THE

Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont.

To the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont:

Your treasurer submits the following report, giving the standing and condition of the corporation from June 7th, 1893, to June 6th, 1894:

STATEMENT.

Bills receivable,	$ 22,041 77	
Stocks,	20,150 00	
Rutland Trust Co.,	848 84	
Expense account,	25 50	
Interest account,		$ 528 72
Howard Land Fund,		4,898 24
Lois Smith Fund,		1,072 53
Andrew Buck Fund,		1,250 00
John A. Conant Fund,		3,542 69
Abram Stearns Fund,		500 00
Betsey Canfield Fund,		1,730 58

George Briggs Fund,		$1,500 00
Permanent Missionary Fund,		883 99
Mrs. C. W. Conant Fund,		100 00
Parsonage Aid Fund,		170 33
B. R. Phelps Fund,		15 57
Olivia Flynn Fund,		150 00
Grace Church Organ Fund,		115 35
John P. Howard Fund,'		20,000 00
Grace Church, Sheldon, Fund,		1,017 68
Rev. Theodore A. Hopkins Fund,		500 00
Lucretia Miller Thayer Fund,		1,100 00
Samantha Cramton Fund,		200 00
St. Paul's Church, Windsor, Fund,		565 00
Trinity Church, Rutland, Fund,		46 28
Christ Church, Enosburgh, Fund,		40 19
Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund,		438 96
Bishop Bissell Missionary Fund,		700 00
Mrs. Hannah V. Howard Fund,		2,000 00
	$43,066 11	$43,066 11

Heretofore the income of the several Trusts was paid as the interest could be collected, making the interest period quite irregular.

As the number of Trusts increased from year to year it became more difficult to keep the accounts as at first, when the Trusts were few.

For the present, January and July will be the "interest periods," at which time the six months' earnings of the entire fund will be divided, under your direction. In January the interest was adjusted to January 1st, 1894, and a division made as follows:

Vermont Episcopal Institute, towards the support of the Diocesan School for girls at Bishop Hopkins Hall,	$ 1,000 00
E. L. Temple, treasurer for Diocesan Missions,	214 68
Rev. G. A. Wilkins, Christ Church, Bethel,	47 03
Rev. G. Graves, Christ Church, Fairfax,	30 00
St. Thomas' Church, Brandon,	32 75
St. Mary's Church, Northfield,	33 00
Christ Church, Enosburgh,	6 00
Rev. Edward N. Goddard, St. Paul's Church, Windsor,	29 50
Rev. James C. Carnahan, St. James' Church, Arlington,	45 14
Martha Thurber, Arlington,	6 77
St. Stephen's Church, Middlebury,	145 10
St. Andrew's Church, St. Johnsbury,	19 17
Amounting to,	$ 1,609 14

The several Funds to which the interest was added to the principal were as follows :

Parsonage Aid Fund,	$ 4 95	
B. R. Phelps Fund,	45	
Grace Church Fund, Sheldon,	39 13	
Endownment Fund, Trinity Church, Rutland,	1 13	
Endownment Fund, Christ Church, Enosburgh,	69	
Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund,	6 84	
Grace Church Organ Fund, Sheldon,	2 81	56 00
Total disbursements for interest,		$1,665 14

The total receipts for interest during the year amount to $2,170.09, which, with the amount received from the former treasurer, $23.77, makes the total $2,193.86; from this take the disbursements, $1,665.14, leaves the amount on hand, $528.72 as per statement.

THE BISHOP BISSELL MEMORIAL FUND.

The amount of this fund one year ago was $48 51

It has been increased during the past year as follows:

Received from St. Paul's Church, Vergennes,	$22 60
Holy Trinity Church, Swanton,	2 75
Offerings at Diocesan Convention, 1893,	33 00
Christ Church, Guilford,	3 36
St. Paul's Church, Windsor,	17 00
Trinity Church, Shelburne,	23 17
St. Paul's Church, Burlington,	224 78
St. Michael's Church, Brattleboro,	12 65
Calvary Church, Jericho,	2 60
Emmanuel Church, Georgia,	2 00
Trinity Church, Milton,	2 00
Christ Church, Fairfax,	1 00
Holy Apostles' Church, Cambridge,	1 00
Holy Cross Church, Cambridge Boro,	1 00
St. Peter's Church, Bennington,	9 15
Trinity Church, Rutland,	5 00
Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls,	20 55
	$432 12
Interest added January 1st,	6 84
	$438 96

"The Bishop Bissell Missionary Fund" was created by the following:

"Instrument of gift from the estate of Wm. Henry Augustin Bissell, to the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont, towards a Permanent Fund for Missions in the Diocese of Vermont," dated Nov. 10th, 1893.

BURLINGTON, Vt., Nov. 10th, 1893.

To the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont:

The undersigned, admistrator of the estate of the late William Henry Augustus Bissell, Second Bishop of Vermont, in fulfillment of a direction given by him under date of December 17th, 1888, hereby assigns, transfers and conveys to you the sum of five hundred and seventy ($570) dollars, that being one-sixth part of the cash assets of his estate, to be added to the permanent fund for the sustentation of Missions in the Diocese of Vermont; the income thereof to be used by the Bishop of the Diocese and his successors in the office, or under his direction, for any purpose immediately connected with the Missionary work of the Diocese.

I have in my hands a written direction signed by Martha E. Pope, Laura M. Gray, Mary A. Shaw, John H. Bissell and William A. Bissell, who are the sole heirs-at-law of William Henry Augustus Bissell, late Bishop of Vermont, by which they authorize the undersigned "to proceed to collect and administer said estate in accordance with Father's direction, exactly as if the same had been contained in a lawfully executed will." The paper referred to contains the direction for disposing of the money as above stated. If your council should deem it necessary to have a specific authorization signed by all of the heirs-at-law of Bishop Bissell, in

confirmation of this transfer, I will procure and furnish you the same.

JOHN H. BISSELL,

Administrator of the Estate of
William H. A. Bissell, dec'd.

A member of the late Bishop Bissell's family has recently increased this Fund to $700 dollars.

"The Mrs. Hannah V. Howard Fund" is a gift by will of the late Hannah V. Howard of Burlington, in accordance with item No. 14 of said will, which is as follows:

"I give to the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont, a corporation existing under the Laws of the State of Vermont, the sum of two thousand dollars, in trust, for the benefit of the poor of St. Paul's Church, or Parish, in said Burlington, to be invested and kept invested as a separate and permanent fund, the net income of which shall be paid by said Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont, to the Treasurer of St. Paul's Parish, known as the Protestant Episcopal Society, of the town of Burlington, to be used solely for the benefit of the poor of said Parish, under the direction of the Rector thereof.

It is my will that the above gifts, to the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College of two thousand dollars, and to the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont, of two thousand dollars, shall, so far as practicable, be paid by transfer of such Railroad Bonds belonging to my estate, if any such there shall be, as my Executor shall select for that purpose, in which case such bonds shall be paid over and received upon said legacies, at their par value, and my Executor shall not be chargeable with any premium thereon."

These Funds are all invested, bearing interest, and it is believed well secured.

All interest *due* on the various loans has been collected, and credited to interest account as shown in the within statement, amounting to $528.72. There has been no loss of interest or principal during the past year.

The will of the late Mrs. Lorinda Taylor of Proctorsville, has been recently filed in the office of the Probate Court. This will bequeaths to the Trustees of the Diocese all of her real estate, in trust, the income of which is to go to Gethsemane Church, Proctorsville, towards paying its expenses.

There has been transferred to this Corporation, in trust, during the past year, the following Parish property :—Christ Church, Guilford, and St. Luke's Church, Chester.

The Theological Library of the late Bishop Bissell has been transferred and conveyed to this Corporation as per the following

INSTRUMENT OF GIFT.

BURLINGTON, VT., June 15th, 1893.

To the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont:

The undersigned, administrator of the estate of the late William Henry Augustus Bissell, Second Bishop of Vermont, in fulfillment of a direction given by him under date of December 17th, 1888, hereby assigns, transfers and conveys to you, all of the books composing the Theological Library of the late Bishop, now stored upon the shelves in the Episcopal residence in the City of Burlington, at the corner of Main and Williams streets, each of which books is marked with a label containing the printed words, "Library of the Bishop of Vermont." This grant of legal title to the library to you is made upon the trust and condition that the books so transferred shall be possessed by the Bishop of the Diocese of Vermont and his successors, for the use of the Bishop and clergy of the same Diocese, forever.

I have in my hands a written direction signed by Martha E. Pope, Laura M. Gray, Mary A. Shaw, John H. Bissell and William A. Bissell, who are the sole heirs-at-law of Wil-

liam Henry Augustus Bissell, late Bishop of Vermont, by which they authorize the undersigned "to proceed to collect and administer said estate in accordance with Father's direction, exactly as if the same had been contained in a lawfully executed will." The paper referred to contains the direction for disposing of the Library as above stated. If your counsel should deem it necessary to have a specific authorization signed by all of the heirs-at-law of Bishop Bissell, in confirmation of this transfer, I will procure and furnish you the same.

JOHN H. BISSELL,

Administrator of the Estate of

William H. A. Bissell, deceased.

The "house and lot in Northfield to be used for a rectory," as reported in the Journal of 1893, should have been reported: a house and lot in Northfield, given by Miss M. P. Moore for a Parish House, in memory of Dr. P. D. Bradford and Mrs. Olive W. Bradford. Said property being encumbered with a mortgage of $500.

The lands in Polk County, Wisconsin, belonging to the Howard Land Fund, remain the same as last reported, no sales having been made during the past year.

All of which is

Respectfully submitted,

EDSON P. GILSON,

Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, having verified the foregoing account of Edson P. Gilson, Treasurer of the Trustees of the Diocese

of Vermont, find the same correct and the securities as stated in their report.

GEO. R. BOTTUM,
J. B. JONES,
DANIEL W. ROBINSON,
} *Auditors of the Trust Funds of the Diocese of Vermont.*

GEORGE BRIGGS, Auditor,

Trustee of the Diocese of Vermont.

[APPENDIX O.]

APPROPRIATIONS

BY THE

Board of Land Agents.

St. James', Arlington,	$ 46 00
St. Thomas, Brandon,	100 00
Mission, Barre,	100 00
Calvary, East Berkshire,	50 00
Christ, Bethel, St. Paul's, Royalton,	120 00
Mission, Castleton,	50 00
St. Luke's, Chester,	75 00
Christ, Enosburgh,	95 00
St. Matthew's, Enosburgh Falls,	95 00
Christ, Fairfax,	70 00
St. Luke's, Fair Haven,	50 00
Emmanuel, Georgia,	70 00
Christ, Guilford,	50 00
St. James, Hydeville,	50 00
St. John's, Highgate, Grace, Sheldon,	180 00
Christ, Island Pond,	95 00
Zion, Manchester Centre,	75 00

Trinity, Milton,	$70 00
Union, Montgomery,	75 00
St. Mark's, Newport,	50 00
St. Mary's, Northfield,	75 00
St. John's, Poultney,	95 00
Mission, Proctorsville,	95 00
Grace, Randolph,	75 00
St. John's, West Randolph,	75 00
St. Ann's, Richford,	75 00
Holy Trinity, Swanton,	75 00
St. Augustine, North Troy,	50 00
Trinity, Winooski,	35 00
St. Paul's, Windsor,	50 00
St. Paul's, Wells,	30 00
St. Paul's, W. R. Junction, Mission, North Hartland,	150 00
Diocesan Missions,	820 00
	$3,271 00

WM. T. DEWEY,

Treasurer.

St. Albans, June 7th, 1894.

[APPENDIX P.]

THE VERMONT BRANCH

OF THE

Woman's Auxiliary

TO THE

BOARD OF MISSIONS.

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

The fifteenth annual meeting of the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, was held in St. James's Church, Woodstock, October 3d, 4th and 5th, 1893.

TUESDAY EVENING.

An evening service was held, after which an address of welcome was given by the Rector, Rev. Francis W. Smith, followed by appropriate remarks upon Woman's work in the Church.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

October 4th, 1893.

The regular annual meeting of the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, met in St.

James's Church, Woodstock, Wednesday morning, the President, Mrs. Laura M. Gray, taking the chair.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rector, the Rev. Francis W. Smith, assisted by the Rev. William F. Weeks, of Brandon.

The roll of delegates was then called, those present being as follows :

St. James' Church, Arlington,	Mrs. Jesse Burdett.
Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls,	Mrs. F. P. Hadley, Mrs. W. J. Conant.
St. Thomas's Church, Brandon,	Mrs. R. J. Cooke.
King's Daughters, Brandon,	Miss Briggs, Miss Estabrooke.
Christ Church, Bethel,	Miss Emily Fargo, Miss Carolyn Curtiss, Dr. E. J. Child.
St. Michael's Church, Brattleboro,	Mrs. Wm. H. Collins, Mrs. Fred W. Childs, Mrs. Allen D. Brown.
St. Paul's Church, Burlington,	Mrs. Bradley B. Smalley, Mrs. John C. Farrer.
St. Luke's Church, Chester,	Mrs. Julia Hadley, Mrs. A. N. Chandler.
Christ Church, Island Pond,	Mrs. John Reeve, Mrs. H. H. Hall, Miss Reeve.
Ladies' Society, Zion Church, Manchester Centre,	Mrs. Edmond L. Wyman.
Young Woman's Guild,	Miss Jennie Colburn.
Christ Church, Montpelier,	Mrs. Walter, Mrs. Moulton.
St. Mary's Guild, Northfield,	Miss Helen Howe.
Ladies' Society,	Miss M. J. Johnston.
Grace Church, Randolph,	Mrs. Holden, Miss Fargo, Mrs. C. M. Sawyer.
Junior Branch,	Miss Alice Sawyer, Miss Ada Gilbert.
St. John's Church, West Randolph,	Mrs. Lane, Miss White.
Junior Auxiliary,	Miss Eunice Dennison.

Trinity Mission, Rutland,	Mrs. Wm. B. Buckingham, Mrs. Geo. T. Chaffee, Miss Mary F. Cooke.
Aids to Trinity Mission,	Miss Mary E. Roberts, Miss Ella Foes.
Grace Church, West Rutland,	Mrs. Lee, Miss Maynard.
Mission at Clarendon Springs,	Miss L. A. Hitchcock.
St. Luke's Church, St. Albans,	Mrs. Stanley Grey, Mrs. Wiley.
St. Andrew's Church, St. Johnsbury,	Mrs. W. S. Boynton, Mrs. Elisha May.
St. Paul's Church, Royalton,	Miss Gertrude Dennison.
St. James's Church, Woodstock,	Mrs. G. W. Paul, Mrs. H. M. Pember, Mrs. Lucy J. Wilder.
Junior Auxiliary,	Miss Alice Jones.
Windsor Junior Auxiliary,	Miss Janet Goddard, Miss Sophia Tuxbury.
White River Junction,	Mrs. Wm. Batchelder Miss M. L. West.

Reports of the Secretaries and Treasurer were then read, and accepted.

The following officers were elected :

President, Mrs. LAURA M. GRAY, Burlington.

Vice-Presidents, Mrs. L. G. KINGSLEY, Rutland, and Mrs. ELIZABETH S. ALLEN, Woodstock.

Treasurer, Mrs. EDMOND L. WYMAN, Manchester Center.

Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. CHARLES E. ALLEN, Burlington.

Recording Secretary, Mrs. EDSON P. GILSON, Rutland.

The Sermon before the Auxiliary was preached by the Rev. Wm. J. Harris, D. D., Diocesan Missionary of the Diocese.

The Holy Communion was administered by the Rev. Francis W. Smith, assisted by the Rev. Wm. F. Weeks, and Rev. John W. Chapman, Missionary at Avink, Alaska.

Adjourned to 2:30 P. M.

The convention was called to order by the President at 2:30 P. M., pursuant to adjournment.

The branch of the Auxiliary, known as the Junior Auxiliary, was organized, and Mrs. Thomas H. Canfield, Burlington, elected General Secretary.

DISTRICT MANAGERS.

Montpelier District– MRS. JOHN REEVE, Island Pond; MRS. L. P. GLEASON, Montpelier.

St. Albans District—MRS. DANIEL MOREN, East Berkshire; MRS. I. S. BOSTWICK, St. Albans.

Windsor District—MRS. H. W. PEMBER, Woodstock; MRS. THOMPSON, Bellows Falls.

Burlington District—MRS. H. E. POWELL, Milton; MRS. HENRY BOOTH, Vergennes.

Rutland District—MRS. C. M. NILES, Rutland; MRS. GEO. WOODCOCK, Manchester Centre.

Applications to join the Auxiliary were made by the following societies:

Junior Auxiliary, of West Randolph; *Woman's Auxiliary, of St. James' Church*, Hydeville; *St. Paul's Church Society*, Royalton; *Junior Auxiliary*, Burlington; *Kings Daughters*, Brandon; *Junior Auxiliary*, Woodstock; *Junior Auxiliary*, of Brattleboro.

The Missionary Board, finding themselves unable to continue to pay the Diocesan Missionary their part of his salary, the Woman's Auxiliary voted to become responsible for his salary until the meeting of the Diocesan Convention in June, at the rate of sixteen hundred dollars per year.

The Rev. Wm. J. Harris, D. D., the Diocesan Missionary,

then gave an account of his work during the past year, making a special plea for Barre, Springfield, and Hardwick.

Adjourned to meet at 7:30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, 7:30 P. M.

A Missionary Meeting was held in the Church, addresses being made by the Diocesan Missionary, the Rev John W. Chapman, Missionary from Avink, Alaska, and Mr. Gardiner, the head of the school in Tokyo, Japan.

After the Service, a reception was held at the Woodstock Inn, at which time Mr. Gardiner entertained the guests with stereopticon views of Japan.

THURSDAY, 9 A. M.

Morning prayer was read at nine A. M., by the Rev. Mr. Goddard of Windsor. After which the Convention was called to order.

The Chairman of the Appropriation Committee submitted the following list of appropriations, which was approved and adopted:

The Rev. Mr. Chapman of Avink, Alaska,	$25 00
Expenses of the Rev. Mr. Chapman,	25 00
Mr. Gardiner of Tokyo, Japan,	25 00
Expenses of Mr. Gardiner,	25 00
Whitaker Hall, Reno, Nevada,	50 00
Colored Student,	60 00
Rev. Mr. Ockford,	25 00
Miss Emery's Contingent Fund,	10 00
	$245 00

Owing to the small representations from the Parish branches, no action could be taken in regard to the Constitution.

On motion of Mrs. Chas. E. Allen.

Resolved, that the work of the younger Societies be united under the name of the Junior Auxiliary, with a Secretary, who shall be one of the General Officers of the Woman's Auxiliary.

On motion of Mrs. Chas. E. Allen.

Resolved, that the Auxiliary has heard with great regret of the death of Mrs. Amanda H. Farr of Bellows Falls, who has acted as District Manager, and has otherwise shown her interest in the work of the Auxiliary.

On motion of Mrs. Thos. H. Canfield.

Resolved, that as a body of representative women of the Auxiliary we desire to put on record our appreciation, and love, for our late lamented Bishop Bissell, of blessed memory. That we will ever remember with grateful feelings his perfect confidence, and trust in our work, and the pleasure he frequently showed in expressing the same to us, especially at our last Annual Meeting, in his few words of farewell, which he then reminded us, were possibly the last he might ever be able to say to us.

On motion of Mrs. Thos. H. Canfield.

Resolved, that our hearts are lightened and our courage strengthened by the glad tidings received last night, of the Rev. Arthur C. A. Hall's acceptance of the Bishopric of Vermont; that we desire to pledge ourselves to welcome him warmly, to hold up his hands, and to give him all the active support in our power, towards developing the work in our beloved Diocese, as he may suggest when he shall come amongst us.

On motion of Mrs. Wiley.

Resolved, that the officers of this Auxiliary be empowered to keep the Rev. Dr. Harris, the Diocesan Missionary, for the remainder of the year, if upon consultation with the Bishop they feel this to be best after the time of the Convention next June.

On motion of Mrs. E. L. Wyman.

Resolved, that the thanks of the ladies of the Vermont Branch of the Auxiliary be and are hereby tendered to Mrs Charles Clement,

Mrs. H. H. Baxter, and Mrs. Wm. Seward Webb, and to any and all others who have assisted them by gifts of money or otherwise in retaining the services of our Diocesan Missionary for the coming year, and under the present special emergency.

On motion of Miss Mary E. Roberts.

Resolved, That the ladies of the Auxiliary wish to express their apprecation of the gracious reception which they have received from the Rector and Ladies of St. James Parish Woodstock, and to thank them for their cordial hospitality,

MRS. LAURA M. GRAY, *President.*

MRS. EDSON P. GILSON, *Recording Secretary.*

OFFICERS' MEETING.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH,

ST. ALBANS, VT., June 6th, 1894.

According to a resolution passed in September, 1886, directing a special meeting of the officers of the Auxiliary to be held during the meeting of the Diocesan convention, to whom the annual reports of the Treasurer and Secretaries were to be made, the following officers met Wednesday at 3 P. M., in the Rectory of St. Lukes' Church.

MRS. LAURA M. GRAY, *President;* MRS. LEVI G. KINGSLEY, *Vice-President;* MRS. EDMOND L. WYMAN, *Treasurer;* MRS. CHARLES E. ALLEN, *Corresponding Secretary;* MRS. EDSON P. GILSON, *Recording Secretary;* MRS. THOMAS H. CANFIELD, *General Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary.*

The President in the chair.

The Treasurer's report was read by Mrs. Edmond L. Wyman.

The Corresponding Secretary's report was read by Mrs. Charles E. Allen.

The Recording Secretary's report was read by Mrs. Edson P. Gilson.

The report of the General Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary was read by Mrs. Thomas H. Canfield.

The reports were severally accepted and adopted and ordered to be printed in the appendix to Journal.

There were several ladies, members of the Auxiliary, from St. Albans and other parishes, present, and took part in the meeting.

The annual meeting will be held in Burlington some time in October next.

On motion, adjourned.

MRS. LAURA M. GRAY, *President*.

MRS. EDSON P. GILSON, *Secretary*.

Treasurer's Report.

MRS. EDMOND L. WYMAN, Treasurer,

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE VERMONT BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY, FROM EASTER, 1893, TO EASTER, 1894.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last report,		$127 14
Immanuel, Bellows Falls,		6 50
Christ, Bethel,		13 00
St. Thomas, Brandon, (Church Missions House, $5.00)		15 00
St. Michael's, Brattleboro,		15 00
St. Paul's, Burlington, (Church Missions House, $11.50)		166 50
St. Luke's, Chester,		2 00
Mrs. Brewer for Church Missions House, Enosburgh,		2 00
St. Matthew's, Enosburgh Falls,		5 00
Calvary, for Church Missions House, East Berkshire,		1 00
St. James, Hydeville,		5 00
Christ, Island Pond, (Church Missions House, $2)		4 50
Zion, Manchester Centre, (Church Missions House, $3.50)	$12 00	
Guild, Manchester Centre, (Church Missions House, $1.50)	6 50	
		18 50
Christ, Montpelier, (Church Missions House $3)		11 35
Mrs. Powell and Miss Witters, Milton,		2 00

St. Mary's Northfield, (Church Missions House, $3.15)		$7 95
St. John's, Poultney, for Church Missions House,		1 00
Grace, Randolph, (Church Missions House, $2)		7 00
St. Paul's, Royalton, (Church Missions House, $3)		11 00
Trinity, Rutland, (Church Missions House, $15)	$125 32	
" Mrs. Percy Clement, for Diocesan Missionary,	35 00	
" Mrs. Chas. Clement, for Diocesan Missionary,	400 00	
" Mrs. H. H. Baxter, for General Missionary,	300 00	
		860 32
Sheldon, Grace, for Church Missions House,		26
Shelburne, Trinity, for Church Missions House,	$ 5 00	
" Mrs. Webb,	400 00	
		$405 00
St. Albans, St. Luke's, (Church Missions House, $10)	$20 00	
" Mrs. Bostwick,	5 00	
		$ 25 00
St. Johnsbury, St. Andrew's, (Church Missions House, $10)		25 00
Vergennes, St. Paul's, (Church Missions House, $2.75)		18 84
West Randolph, St. John's, for Church Missions House,		2 00
Windsor, St. Paul's,		10 00
Winooski, Trinity,		9 29
Woodstock, St. James, (Church Missions House, $5)		20 00
Offerings at annual meeting,		42 47

Balance offerings at district meeting, East Berkshire,	$8 00	
Balance offerings at district meeting, St. Johnsbury,	5 00	
		$ 13 00
Offerings at services of Diocesan Missionary,		30 00
		$1,882 62

DISBURSEMENTS.

Diocesan Missionary's salary,		$1,150 00
Rev. Mr. Ockford,		50 00
Barre,		50 00
Bishop Atwill's work,		25 00
Colored student, Columbia, S. C.,		105 00
Whittaker Hall, Nevada,		50 00
Alaska, hospital at Anvik,		25 00
Japan, St. Paul's School, Tokyo,		25 00
Miss Emery's contingent fund,		20 00
Expenses speakers, annual meeting—		
Rev. John Chapman,	$25 00	
Mr. Gardiner,	25 00	
Rev. W. J. Harris, D. D.,	10 00	
		60 00
Expenditures—		
Recording Secretary,	$5 12	
Corresponding Secretary,	2 30	
Treasurer,	1 55	
		8 97
Furnishing Auxiliary rooms, Church Missions House, New York, special,		88 66
		$1,657 63

Cash on hand,	$224 99
	$1,882 62

MRS. EDMOND L. WYMAN,

Treasurer.

MANCHESTER CENTRE, VT., June 7, 1894.

REPORT OF THE

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

OF THE VERMONT BRANCH OF THE

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

FROM

EASTER, 1893, TO EASTER, 1894.

Arlington—St. James' Church.	
One box Mission School, Wando, S. C.,	$ 10 00
Objects in Parish,	29 50
Miss Fanny Barney for Recess Chancel,	13 00
Fund in bank for Recess Chancel, $356 69	
Total,	$52 50
Bellows Falls—Immanuel Church.	
Two boxes, House of Mercy, Boston,	$ 37 00
Clothing for destitute family in Parish,	47 26
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	6 50
Total,	$90 76
Bennington—St. Peter's Church.	
Parochial Charities,	$ 95 88
Other objects in Parish,	461 22
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	10 00
Total,	$567 10

Bethel—Christ Church.	
Objects in Parish,	$ 31 43
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	13 00
Total,	$ 44 43
Brandon—St. Thomas' Church.	
Objects in Parish,	$ 21 38
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	20 00
Sent special for Ch. Missions House,	5 00
Total,	$ 46 38
Brattleboro—St. Michael's Church.	
Three barrels sent Mrs. Buford's Hospital,	$125 42
Objects in Parish,	219 67
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	15 00
Total,	$360 09
Burlington—St. Paul's Church.	
One box sent Missionary, Blair, Nebraska,	$140 24
Two boxes sent Whitaker Hall, Reno, Nevada,	117 10
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	160 00
Special for Church Missions House,	11 50
Total	$428 84
Burlington—Young Woman's Branch Junior Auxiliary.	
One box sent Indian School, Leech Lake, Minn.,	$103 05
One box sent Colored School, Palmers Sps., Va.,	10 60
One box sent teacher, Columbia, So. Carolina,	9 02
Total,	$122 67

Chester—St. Luke's Parish.	
Objects in Parish,	$223 90
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	1 35
Total,	$225 25
East Berkshire—Calvary Church.	
One parcel for St. Albans District box,	$19 25
Objects in Parish,	78 26
Total,	$97 51
East Georgia—Emmanuel Mission.	
One parcel sent in St. Albans District box,	$4 84
One apron, Atchison Kansas,	50
Objects in Parish,	1 06
Total,	$6 40
Enosburgh—Christ Church.	
Two boxes St. John Baptist School, New York,	$14 50
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	2 00
New carpet for Church,	53 40
Total,	$67 90
Enosburgh Falls—St. Mathew's Church.	
One box St. John Baptist Sisterhood, New York,	$ 25 65
One box by Daughters of the King and St. Katharine's Guild,	15 00
Objects in Parsh,	94 85
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	5 00
Total,	$140 50
Fairfax—	
Painting and shingling the Church,	$116 71
One parcel Warner Home, St. Albans,	8 00
Total,	$124 71

Island Pond—Christ Church.	
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	$ 5 50
Objects in Parish by Woman's Auxiliary,	103 99
Dorcas Society,	93 58
Junior Auxiliary,	17 38
Total,	$220 45
Jericho—Calvary Church.	
One box St. Katharine's Mission School, Baltimore,	$3 55
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	1 34
One apron Atchison Kansas,	30
Total,	$5 19
Manchester Center—Zion Church.	
One box Home Missions,	$ 9 88
One box Miss Langly, Colored School, Palmers Springs Va.,	38 67
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	8 50
Sent Special for Church Missions House,	3 50
Work on church building	60 23
Hymnals,	5 60
Total,	$126 38
Manchester Center—Young Ladies' Guild.	
Diocesan treasurer,	$ 5 00
Special for Church Missions House,	1 50
Objects in Parish, painting Church, etc.,	144 42
Total,	$150 92

Middlebury—St. Stephen's Church.	
One box Barre Mission,	$ 10 50
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	44 00
Objects in Parish, Vesting Choir,	45 46
Repairs on Rectory,	31 48
Total,	$131 44
Milton—Trinity Mission.	
One box Atchison Kansas,	$ 2 00
Objects in Parish—Vestments,	10 00
Fuel for Church and Insurance,	18 80
Charity,	1 35
Total,	$32 15
Montgomery—Union Church.	
Objects in parish, insurance on Church,	$ 7 20
Other work,	25 00
Total,	$32 20
Montpelier—Christ Church.	
One box Rev. F. W. Cook, Salt Lake City, Utah,	$72 74
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	13 35
Parochial Charity,	10 00
Total,	$96 09
Northfield—St. Mary's Church.	
One box Labrador Mission,	$ 25 00
Missionary in Utah,	5 00
Diocesan treasurer,	8 22
Objects in Parish—Rector's salary,	100 00
Organist's salary,	30 00
Church cushions,	13 50
Total,	$181 72

Poultney—St. John's Parish.	
One box sent Mrs. Buford,	$42 00
Ch. Missions House,	1 00
Objects in Parish,	124 42
Total,	$167 42
Proctorsville—Gethsemane Mission.	
Objects in Parish,	$40 00
Total,	$40 00
Randolph—Grace Church.	
One barrel, South Boston, Mass.,	$30 00
One box Portsmouth, Va. (Colored School),	10 00
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	5 00
Special for Ch. Mission House,	2 00
Objects in Parish—Painting Church,	75 00
Organist,	10 00
Incidentals,	3 43
Total,	$135 43
Richford—At. Ann's Mission.	
Objects in Parish,	$10 00
Total,	$10 00
Royalton—St. Paul's Church.	
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	$ 8 00
Ch. Missions House,	3 00
Objects in Parish—Work on Church building,	18 46
Parish Assessments,	10 50
Prayer Books and Hymnals,	17 50
Toward Rector's salary,	5 00
General Missions,	7 35
Total,	$69 81

Rutland—Trinity Mission.	
One box Rev. W. B. Everett, Middletown, Va.,	$100 00
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	110 32
Objects in Parish,	100 00
Total,	$310 32
Aids to Trinity Mission.	
Sent Mission in New York,	$2 00
Sewing for Poor in Parish.	
Total,	$2 00
St. Albans—St. Luke's Church.	
One box sent Colored Mission, Wando, S.Ca.,	$84 00
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	10 00
For Church Missions House,	10 00
Total,	$104 00
"*Helping Hands*," *Junior Auxiliary.*	
One box sent Mrs. Buford, Hospital and School,	$50 00
Cash to Mrs. Buford,	1 50
Total,	$51 50
St. Johnsbury—St. Andrew's Church.	
One box Sheltering Arms Hospital, W.Va.,	$ 35 00
One box Colored Student, St. Augustine's Society, Raleigh, N. C.	40 65
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	20 00
Special for Church Missions House,	10 00
Objects in Parish—Rectors Aid Society,	166 00
St. Margaret's Guild,	65 00
Total,	$336 65

Shelburne—Trinity Church.	
Church Missions House,	$ 5 00
Poor in Parish,	25 75
Total,	$30 75
Sheldon Junction—Grace Church.	
One box Twenty Minute Society, Boston,	$5 00
Total,	$5 00
Vergennes—St. Paul's Church.	
One box Thomas Cante, Indian Agency So. D.,	$ 47 00
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	14 98
Church Mission House,	2 75
Objects in Parish,	70 48
Total,	$135 21
West Randolph—St. John's Church.	
One box Rev. J. R. Brooks, Portsmouth, Va.,	$ 25 00
For Church Missions House,	2 00
Objects in Parish, furnace, Rectory Fund, etc.,	204 57
Total,	$231 57
West Rutland—Grace Church.	
One box Sheltering Arms Hospital, West Va.,	$12 50
Work on Church building,	72 13
Total,	$84 63
White River Junction—St. Paul's Mission.	
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	$ 5 00
Objects in Parish, Rector's salary,	86 00
Total,	$91 00
Windsor—St. Paul's Church.	
One box Mrs. Buford, Lawrenceville, Virginia	$30 00

One box Bishop Whipple Hospital, White Earth, Minnesota,	$30 00
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	10 00
Objects in Parish,	6 50
Total,	$76 50

Winooski—Trinity Mission.

Sent Diocesan treasurer,	$ 9 29
Total,	$ 9 29

Woodstock—St. James' Church.

Sent Diocesan treasurer,	$15 00
Objects in Parish,	38 00
Total,	$53 00

SUMMARY.

Valuation of Boxes,	$1,343 96	
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	528 35	
Work in Parishes,	3,354 25	
General Missions,	15 85	
Church Missions House,	57 25	
Total,		$5,299 66

ELLEN C. ALLEN,

Corresponding Secretary.

Recapitulation of the Corresponding Secretary, From Easter 1893, to Easter 1894.

	Value of Boxes.	Sent Diocesan Treasurer.	Work in Parishes.	General Missions.	Church Missions House.	Totals.
Arlington:						
St. James's Church	$ 10 00	8	$42 50	$	$	$ 52 50
Bellows Falls:						
Immanuel Church	37 00	6 50	47 26			90 76
Bennington:						
St. Peter's Church		10 00	557 10			567 10
Bethel:						
Christ's Church		13 00	31 43			44 43
Brandon:						
St. Thomas's Church		20 00	21 38		5 00	46 38
Brattleboro:						
St. Michael's Church	125 42	15 00	219 67			360 09
Burlington:						
St. Paul's Church	257 34	160 00			11 50	428 84
Yg. Woman's Br'nch	122 67					122 67
Chester:						
St. Luke's Parish		1 35	223 90			225 25
East Berkshire:						
Calvary Church	19 25		78 26			97 51
East Georgia:						
Emmanuel Mission	5 34		1 06			6 40
Enosburgh:						
Christ Church	14 50	2 00	53 40			69 90
Enosburgh Falls:						
St. Matthew's Ch'ch	40 65	5 00	94 85			140 50
Fairfax:						
Christ Church Mis'n	8 00		116 71			124 71
Island Pond:						
Christ Church		5 50	214 95			220 45
Jericho:						
Calvary Church Mis.	3 85	1 34				5 19
ManchesterCentre:						
Zion Church	48 55	8 50	65 83		3 50	126 38
Young Ladies Guild		5 00	144 42		1 50	150 92
Middlebury:						
St. Stephen's Church	10 50	44 00	76 94			131 44
Milton:						
Trinity Mission	2 00	2 00	30 15			34 15
Montgomery:						
Union Church			32 20			32 20
Montpelier:						
Christ Church	72 74	13 35	10 00			96 09

RECAPITULATION OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY, FROM EASTER 1893, TO EASTER 1894.—*Continued.*

	Value of Boxes.	Sent Diocesan Treasurer.	Work in Parishes.	General Missions.	Church Missions House.	Totals.
Northfield:						
St. Mary's Church	$25 00	$8 22	$143 50	$5 00	$...	$181 72
Poultney:						
St. John's Church	42 00	.....	124 42	.....	1 00	167 42
Proctorsville						
Gethsemane Mission	.....	.....	40 00	.....	.....	40 00
Randolph:						
Grace Church	40 00	5 00	88 43	.....	2 00	135 43
Richford:						
St. Ann's Mission	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	10 00
Royalton:						
St. Paul's Church	.....	8 00	51 46	7 35	3 00	69 81
Rutland:						
Trinity Mission	100 00	110 32	100 00	... ...	.....	310 32
Aids to Mission	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	2 00
St. Albans:						
St. Luke's Church	84 00	10 00	.....	.....	10 00	104 00
Help. H'nd Jun. Aux.	50 00	.....	.....	1 50	.....	51 50
St. Johnsbury:						
St. Andrew's Church	75 65	20 00	231 00	.....	10 00	336 65
Shelburne:						
Trinity Church	.....	.....	25 75	.....	5 00	30 75
Sheldon Junction:						
Grace Church	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Vergennes						
St. Paul's Parish	47 00	14 98	70 48	.....	2 75	135 21
West Randolph:						
St. John's Church	25 00	.....	204 57	.....	2 00	231 57
West Rutland						
Grace Church	12 50	.....	72 13	.....	.....	84 63
W. R. Junction:						
St. Paul's Mission	.....	5 00	86 00	.....	.....	91 00
Windsor						
St. Paul's Church	60 00	10 00	6 50	.....	.....	76 50
Winooski						
Trinity Mission	.....	9 29	.....	.....	.....	9 29
Woodstock						
St. James Church	.....	15 00	38 00	.....	.....	53 00
Totals	$1343 96	$528 35	$3354 25	$15 85	$57 25	$5299 66

REPORT OF THE

General Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary

OF THE VERMONT BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS,

FROM EASTER, 1893, to EASTER, 1894.

Bellows Falls—Immanuel Church.		
Children's Missionary League, cash for Communion service for Mission of the Good Shepherd, Barre, Vt.,	$70 00	
Girls of the Junior Auxiliary, cash for Altar linen for Mission at Barre,	13 00	
Total,		$83 00
Bennington—St. Peter's Church.		
St. Agnes' Guild, cash for the support of a baby in St. Mary's Ophanage, Shanghai, China,	$30 00	
Total,		$30 00
Brattleboro—St. Agnes' Guild.		
Cash spent on box for Hospital, Dr. Mary Glenton, Anvik, Alaska,	$7 00	
Cash in treasury,	6 43	
Total,		$13 43

Burlington—St. Paul's Church, Young Woman's Branch.		
Christmas box to Indian Lake School, Leach Lake, Minnesota, value,	$105 45	
Christmas box to the Colored School, Miss M. Tangley, Palmer's Springs, Va., value,	14 85	
One Easter box for Miss Martha Parker (teacher of Colored School,) Columbia, South Carolina, value,	10 77	
Cash in treasury,	8 29	
Total,		$139 36
Julia C. Emery (girls) *Society and Boy's Guild*, together.		
Christmas box added to that sent by the Young Woman's Branch, to Indian School,	$27 50	27 50
Total,		$166 86
During Lent the little girls of the J. C. Emery society pieced two bed quilts, not valued.		
St. Albans—St. Luke's Church. Helping Hands,		
One box for Mrs. Buford's Hospital,	$87 50	
Choir Guild, cash,	75 00	
Total,		$162 50

St. Johnsbury—St. Andrew's Church,		
For the Parish,	$30 00	
Total,		$30 00
Swanton—		
Cash spent in the Parish,	$48 01	
Total,		$48 01
Total,		$533 80

RECAPITULATION OF GIFTS IN CASH AND VALUE OF BOXES SENT BY THE VERMONT BRANCH OF THE JUNIOR AUXILIARY FROM EASTER, 1893, TO 1894.

For Diocesan,	$83 00
For the Parish,	153 01
Domestic,	13 33
Colored,	113 12
Indian,	132 95
Foreign,	30 00
In Treasury,	8 29
Total,	$533 70

Report of Sunday School Offerings, Junior Auxiliary, 1893 to 1894.	Diocesan Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	General Missions.	Parish Needs.	Sunday School Expenses.	Colored Missions.	Mission at Barre.	In Treasury Unappropriated.
Burlington	$66 35	$ 50 00		$125 41		$77 86	$25 00		$63 55
Bellows Falls		25 00							
Enosburgh Falls				13 00				$5 00	
Fairfax				7 00					
Fair Haven								2 50	
Milton				3 89		35			
Cambridge Boro			67						
Cambridge Center				61		25			
Jericho				1 27					
Georgia				2 65		20			
Fairfax				1 27		50			
Winooski				2 81		50			
Hydeville				12 10	4 00			5 00	
St. Albans		35 00						3 00	
Rutland				75 00					
Swanton				72 00		9 50			
				7 00					
Total	$66 35	$110 00	67	$324 01	$4 00	$89 16	$25 00	$15 50	$63 55

RECAPITULATION OF THE REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERINGS, FROM 1893 TO 1894.

For Diocesan Missions	$ 66 35
" Domestic "	110 00
" Foreign "	67
" General "	324 01
Parish Needs	4 00
Sunday School Expenses	89 16
Colored Missions	25 00
Barre	15 50
In Treasury Unappropriated	63 55
Total	$698 24

Grand total of Junior work as reported for one year, $1,231 94

MRS. THOS. H. CANFIELD,

General Secretary of Junior

Auxiliary of Vermont.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

VERMONT BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

ARTICLE I. This association shall be known as the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

ARTICLE II. The object of this association is to aid the women of our congregation in church work, whether for the Parish, Diocese, or for our General Mission.

ARTICLE III. Any society or association of women working for either of the purposes thus indicated may be in union with this Branch, and may be represented in its meetings by such a number of delegates, not exceeding five, as it may elect.

ARTICLE IV. The officers of this Branch shall be a President, two or more Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, a Recording Secretary, and a Corresponding Secretary, who shall be elected annually.

ARTICLE V. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Branch, unless the Bishop of the Diocese be present, and chooses to preside *ex-officio*.

ARTICLE VI. The Vice-Presidents shall preside in the absence of the President in the order of their election.

ARTICLE VII. The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds of the Branch, and shall pay out the same according to the directions of the association.

ARTICLE VIII. The Recording Secretary shall keep a roll of the delegates in attendance at the meetings, and shall also keep the records of the proceedings of the Branch.

ARTICLE IX. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Branch, with the affiliated association, the Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary, and others.

ARTICLE X. This Branch does not propose to interfere with work which the associations are doing for the Church in their several localities, yet it would recommend that each such association should select some time in the year to work especially for the cause of our general missions, in connection with the Woman's Auxiliary.

ARTICLE XI. It is recommended, in case the Convention of the Diocese approves that course, that members of these associations, under the directions of their Clergy, charge themselves with the circulation of the pledges for our Diocesan Missions, and, if necessary, the collection of the same.

ARTICLE XII. The Constitution shall only be altered or amended by a vote of delegates representing two-thirds of the associations in union with this Branch.

ARTICLE XIII. By-Laws in accordance with the Constitution may be adopted or altered at any meeting.

ARTICLE XIV. The annual meeting of the Branch shall be held on such day of September, October or November as shall have been appointed at the previous meeting. The President shall at any time call a meeting of the Branch, on the written request of three parish societies.

BY-LAWS.

BY-LAW 1. Any society or association of women working for either of the objects indicated in the Constitution may be received into union with the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, at any annual meeting of the same, by vote of a majority of the members present, upon presenting a certificate from the Rector of the Parish, or of the Missionary in charge, or in the absence of either, of the Senior Warden, setting forth that such society or association is duly organized for Church work.

BY-LAW 2. The Convention of the Vermont Branch shall be composed of delegates from the several societies in union with the Branch, who are hereby authorized to act and vote upon all questions, upon presenting credentials signed by the President and Secretary of the society which they propose to represent, certifying that they have been duly elected at a regular meeting of said society, as delegates to the Convention.

BY-LAW 3. In case there should not be, for any reason, an election of officers, as provided for in the Constitution, those previously elected shall hold their offices until others are chosen.

BY-LAW 4. All the officers of the Diocesan Auxiliary shall be entitled to all the privileges of the floor, and to speak and to vote upon all questions which shall come before the Convention.

BY-LAW 5. The funds collected by any society for the Vermont Branch, for any object, shall be held by the Treasurer, and paid out on the order of the President for that special object.

BY-LAW 6. The President, Treasurer and Secretaries of this society shall be elected by ballot, after open nomination.

The following resolution was adopted at the annual meeting at Woodstock, November 4, 1893:

Resolved, that the work of the younger societies be united under the name of the Junior Auxiliary, with a Secretary, who shall be one of the General Officers of the Woman's Auxiliary.

ABSTRACT OF AMENDMENTS TO THE CANONS,

Now in Force since they were Published or Revised in 1885.

The following amendments to Sec. 3, Canon I., Title I., adopted at Montpelier, June 7, 1888:

"When a Bishop is to be elected, the Convention shall always vote by Orders, and a majority of each Order, when both concur, shall constitute an election. The Secretary shall first call the roll of the Clergy, who shall, as their names are called, deposit their ballots with the Tellers, and when counted the result shall be announced to the Convention. The Secretary shall then call the roll of Lay Delegates, who shall as their names are called deposit their ballots with the Tellers, which shall be counted and announced as ordered for the Clergy. In case of non-concurrence the first time, balloting shall continue in the same way and order as above until an election is made."

Amendment to Canon XI., Title II., Sec. 2, adopted at Rutland, June 20, 1889:

"When any Parish that has been legally constituted under the Canons of this Diocese shall fail, for any cause, to possess the requisite number of Communicants to entitle it

to the rights of such organization, the Bishop may, with the consent of the Standing Committee, declare such organization void, and place said Parish upon the list of Mission Stations."

Amendments to Canons adopted at St. Albans, June 7, 1894.

Amendment to Sec. 2, Canon I., Title I. Strike out the first six lines of the section and substitute the following:

"Every Clergyman canonically resident in the Diocese, shall be a member of the Convention, but shall not vote at the election of a Bishop unless he had been so resident at least one year."

Amendment to Canon IV., Title II. (page 19, edition of 1893). Strike out the three lines and substitute the following:

"A Clergyman becomes resident in this Diocese for the purposes of these Canons, on Ordination by the Bishop thereof, or on acceptance of his Letters Dimissory, and such residence terminates only on notice received that Letters Dimissory from this Diocese have been elsewhere accepted."

(Compare Genl. Convt. Digest 1892, Title I., Canon XVIII, Sec. 7, [2].)

Amendment to Canon VII., Title I., so as to read as follows:

"The Holy Communion shall be celebrated at the opening of every Convention at which time the Bishop's address or charge shall be delivered, unless the Bishop shall otherwise appoint."

BOARD OF LAND AGENTS.

The Board of Land Agents has adopted the following rules for its government in making appropriations :—

1. That the year for which appropriations are made shall commence at Easter.

2. That the appropriations made to any parish for one year shall be considered as applying to such part of the year only, in its just proportion, as the said parish shall have a Rector or Minister.

3. That the appropriations shall be paid semi-annually, one-half in six months from Easter, and the balance in twelve months.

4. That it is not expedient, in the opinion of the board, to make any further appropriations for the building of Churches and Parsonages.

The Board holds its annual meeting in June, at the time of the Annual Convention.

TITLE III. CANON 3.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

In every parish of this Diocese a quarterly collection for Diocesan Missions shall be made regularly in the months of February, May, August and November, and the amount contributed shall be promptly forwarded to the Treasurer of the Missionary Committee. And it shall be the duty of every Parish Minister to give due notice of these collections, and to call the attention of his congregation to their importance and claims.

RESOLUTIONS OF CONVENTION.

Resolved, That when there is a vacancy in the Rectorship, the Wardens be requested to see that the quarterly collections are duly made for Diocesan Missions, and forwarded to the Treasurer.

Resolved, That the Parishes be requested to raise annually for Diocesan Missions a sum not less than one dollar for each communicant.

FORM OF CERTIFICATE FOR LAY DELEGATES.

Parish of————Church of———
A. D.

I hereby certify that————Church has———male communicants. And I further certify that at a meeting of the Vestry of the Parish of————Church, held this day, as the Canon directs, A. B. and C. D., communicants in the said Parish, were duly chosen to represent the said Parish in the ensuing Convention of the Diocese.

E. F.,
Secretary of the Vestry of
——Church——

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention of the Diocese will be held at Christ Church, Montpelier, on the third Wednesday in June, 1865, unless some other date be designated by the Bishop and Standing Committee, commencing at 9 o'clock A. M.

THOMAS H. CANFIELD, Secretary.

TITLE I, CANON 5.

OF REGULAR ATTENDANCE AT CONVENTION.

SEC. 1. Every Parish in this Diocese which shall not hereafter be represented in the Annual Diocesan Convention by a Lay Delegation, unless for reasons satisfactory to the Bishop, shall be considered as not entitled to any appropriation from the Board of Land Agents, or from any Missionary Board of the Diocese; and Parishes neglecting to send Delegates for two successive Conventions may be, on motion, stricken from the list of Parishes, until they make suitable acknowledgment.

SEC. 2. No member of the Convention shall leave the same during the sessions without having applied for and received leave of absence from the Convention.

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SPECIAL NOTICE.

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The Trustees of the above corporation give notice that it is ready to receive donations, devises, moneys and lands, under the provisions of the acts of incorporation, and appropriate the same as desired.

TITLE IV. CANON 7.

OFFERINGS FOR AGED AND INFIRM CLERGYMEN, ETC.

Offerings shall be made annually in every Parish and Mission Station on any Sunday in the month of May, for aged and infirm Clergymen, and the widows and orphans of deceased Clergymen belonging to the Diocese, and shall be remitted to the Treasurer appointed by the Trustees of that Fund.

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IN THE

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BEING THE

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BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE,

The Rt. Rev. ARTHUR CRAWSHAY ALLISTON HALL, D. D., BURLINGTON.

STANDING COMMITTEE,

The Rev. JOSHUA ISHAM BLISS, D. D., BURLINGTON, President.
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1895.

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BISHOP.

The Rt. Rev. ARTHUR CRAWSHAY ALLISTON HALL, D. D.
Consecrated February 2, 1894.

PRIESTS.

The Rev. *John Anketell* [June 7, 1893], Rector of St. James's, Hydeville, and Missionary at St. Luke's, Fair Haven.

" *Frank Appleton* [June 7] 1893], Rector of St. Andrew's, St. Johnsbury.

" *Benjamin W. Atwell* [October 22, 1888], Rector of Trinity Church, Shelburne.

" *Joshua Isham Bliss, D. D.* [September 15, 1858], Rector of St. Paul's, Burlington.

" *George Yemens Bliss* [June 12, 1892], Assistant Minister of St. Paul's, Burlington.

" *Algernon T. Brown* [May 24, 1894], Missionary at St. Paul's, White River Junction.

" *Allan Danvers Brown* [November 30, 1892], Missionary at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Barre.

The Rev. *Forest Haden Blunt* [February 5, 1893], Rector of Calvary Church, East Berkshire, and of Union Church, Montgomery.

" *Simon Blinn Blunt* [February 5, 1893], Rector of St Stephen's Middlebury, and Missionary at St. Barnabas', East Middlebury.

" *Alexander Augustus Cairns* [June 19, 1894], Missionary at St. Mark's, Newport, and at St. Augustine's, North Troy.

" *James Curtiss Carnahan* [November 3, 1893], Rector of St. James's, Arlington.

" *Colwort K. P. Cogswell* [October 30, 1894], Missionary at St. Anne's, Richford.

" *William Henry Collins* [October 3, 1869], Rector of St. Michael's, Brattleboro, and in charge of Christ Church, Guilford.

" *James Oswald Davis* [November 30, 1894], Rector of St. Luke's, Chester, and Missionary at Gethsemane Church, Proctorsville.

" *Alonzo B. Flanders, D. D.* [February 4, 1868], Rector of St. Luke's, St. Albans.

" *James C. Flanders* [October 1, 1868].

" *Frederick M. Garland* [March 1, 1895], Rector of Holy Trinity Church, Swanton.

" *Gemont Graves* [March 16, 1872], Missionary at Milton, Georgia, Jericho, Fairfax, Cambridge Centre and Cambridge Boro.

" *Edward N. Goddard* [June 4, 1879], Rector of St. Paul's, Windsor.

" *William J. Harris, D. D.* [December 28, 1894], Diocesan Missionary; address Rutland.

" *George B. Johnson* [June 1, 1894], Bishop's Chaplain, Burlington.

" *Alonzo N. Lewis* [April 28, 1892], Rector of Christ Church, Montpelier.

" *Clarence Watts McCully* [May 27, 1895], Missionary at Trinity Church, Winooski.

" *Charles M. Niles* [February 15, 1890], Rector of Trinity Church, Rutland.

The Rev. *Edward H. Randall* [November 30, 1869], Rector of St. John's, Poultney, and of St. Paul's, Wells.

" *George Lynde Richardson* [March 24, 1894], Rector of St. Peter's, Bennington.

" *David L. Sanford* [November 18, 1889], Rector of Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls.

" *Edmund Banks Smith* [October 6, 1891], Rector of St. Paul's, Vergennes.

" *Francis W. Smith* [November 20, 1877], Rector of St. James's, Woodstock.

" *Edward S. Stone* [June 23, 1889], Rector of Christ Church, Enosburgh, and of St. Matthew's, Enosburgh Falls.

" *George Joseph Sutherland* [June 13, 1894], Rector of St. Mary's, Northfield.

" *Joseph B. Trevett, M. D.* [July 10, 1894], Rector of Christ Church, Bethel, and of St. Paul's, Royalton.

" *William Farrar Weeks* [October 2, 1888], Rector of St. Thomas's, Brandon, and Missionary at Grace Church, Forestdale.

" *Homer White, S. T. D.* [June 1, 1869], Rector of Grace Church, Randolph, and of St. John's, West Randolph.

" *George A. Wilkins* [June 1, 1890], Rector of St. John's, Highgate, and of Grace Church, Sheldon.

DEACON.

The Rev. *Samuel E. Hanger* [May 19, 1894], assisting in Missions at Jericho and Cambridge.

CLERGYMEN TRANSFERRED BY LETTERS DIMISSORY.

The Rev. *Lucius M. Hardy*, to the Diocese of Rhode Island, July 25, 1894.

" *Thomas S. Ockford*, to the Diocese of Easton, September 30, 1894.

" *Edward P. Lee*, to the Diocese of Massachusetts, April 3, 1895.

" *Thomas I. Bell*, to the Missionary Jurisdiction of Western Colorado, May 18, 1895.

CLERGYMEN DECEASED.

The Rev. *Moses Parson Stickney*, August 19, 1894.
" *Louis McDonald*, June 16, 1895.

PRIEST ORDAINED.

The Rev. *Allan Danvers Brown*, Trinity Sunday, June 9, 1895.

CLERGYMEN RECEIVED BY LETTERS DIMISSORY.

The Rev. *George Joseph Sutherland*, from the Diocese of Quebec, June 13, 1894.
" *Alexander Augustus Cairns*, from the Diocese of Pittsburgh, June 19, 1894.
" *Joseph B. Trevett, M. D.*, from the Missionary Jurisdiction of Southern Florida, July 10, 1894.
" *Colwort K. P. Cogswell*, from the Diocese of Ohio, October 30, 1894.
" *James Oswald Davis*, from the Diocese of Nebraska, November 30, 1894.
" *William James Harris, D. D.*, from the Diocese of Massachusetts, December 28, 1894.
" *Frederick M. Garland*, from the Diocese of New Hampshire, March 1, 1895.
" *Clarence Watts McCully*, from the Diocese of Fredericton, May 27, 1895.

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

Admitted. Benjamin Wellington Paxton (for the Diaconate).
Received. Henry Montesquieu Green, from the Diocese of Massachusetts.
Transferred. Benjamin Wellington Paxton, to the Diocese of Kentucky.
Withdrawn. Charles A. Livingston.

PRESENT CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

Arthur W. Stone, Swanton.
Frederick Barnby Leach, Highgate.
Richard Edward Armstrong, Richford.
Henry Closson Gilbert, Randolph.
William Cyprian Hopkins, Jr., Burlington.

Walter Harriman Cambridge, Burlington.
Henry Montesquieu Green, Burlington.
Richard H. Lane, Proctorsville (for Deacon's Orders only).

LAY READERS HOLDING THE BISHOP'S LICENSE FROM ADVENT 1894 TO ADVENT 1895.

George S. Maynard, Hydeville.
Edward L. Temple, Rutland.
J. Ross Roberts, Middletown Springs.
Charles E. Parker, Vergennes.
Edson P. Gibson, W. Rutland.
John Cassius Davis, Hydeville.
Harvey Emerson Taylor, Arlington.
Elmer Hoyt Brownson, Arlington.
Edward Augustus Graves, Arlington.
Earle Bradford Edgerton, Middlebury.
Charles H. Reynolds, Swanton.
Joseph D. Denison, W. Randolph.
Arthur G. Bugbee, White River Junction.
Charles M. Webb, Chester.
Theophilus Grout, Newport.
D. J. Morrill, North Troy.
Henry H. Ross, Vermont Episcopal Institute.
John H. Whipple, Manchester Centre.
Edmond L. Wyman, Manchester Centre.
Edward Brown, Windsor.
Joshua Hobart Webb, Bellows Falls.
John H. Whittemore, Sheldon.
Caleb R. Brewer, Enosburgh.
Henry Augustus Crampton, Enosburgh Falls.
Richard H. Lane, Proctorsville.
Homer A. Flint, Northfield.

CLERGYMEN DEPOSED.

Notification received by the Bishop of Vermont.

Edward Albert Coté, deacon, by the Bishop of Fond du lac.
Charles H. Lemon, priest, by the Bishop of Milwaukee.
Quincy Ewing, priest, by the Bishop of Louisiana.*

* Restored to the priesthood May 14, 1895.

Paul Caryl Zotom, deacon, by the Missionary Bishop of Oklahoma.

J. Nelson Jones, priest, by the Assistant Bishop of Southern Ohio.

S. Gregory Lines, priest, by the Bishop of New York.

Robert Afton Holland, junior, priest, by the Bishop of Western Michigan, acting for the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese of Michigan.

John Calvin Gallaudet, priest, by the Missionary Bishop of Wyoming and Idaho.

Dwight Benton, junior, deacon, by the Assistant Bishop of Southern Ohio.

David Vaughan Gwilym, priest, by the Bishop of New York, acting for the Ecclesiastical authority of Long Island.

Bonaventura de Soaza e Oliveira, deacon, by the Bishop of Western Virginia, in charge of the Mission in Brazil.

William A. Newbold, priest, by the Bishop of New York.

Joseph S. Jenckes, priest, by the Bishop of Indiana.

DIOCESE OF VERMONT.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

JOURNAL.

CHRIST CHURCH, MONTPELIER,
Wednesday, June 19, 1895.

This being the time and place appointed for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Vermont, several of the Clergy and Laity met at 8:30 a. m.

The Convention was called to order by the Bishop, President *ex-officio*, Thomas H. Canfield, of Burlington, Secretary.

The names of the Clergy of the Diocese entitled to seats and votes in the Convention, approved by the Bishop, were then called by the Secretary.

Those with * after their name, were not present at Convention.

The Rev.	JOHN ANKETELL,	The Rev.	GEMONT GRAVES.
" "	FRANK APPLETON,	" "	SAMUEL E. HANGER,
" "	BENJAMIN W. ATWELL,	" "	WM. J. Harris, D. D.,
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" "	JAMES C. FLANDERS,	" "	WILLIAM F. WEEKS,
" "	FREDERICK M. GARLAND,	" "	HOMER WHITE, S. D. T.,
" "	EDWARD N. GODDARD,	" "	GEORGE A. WILKINS.

The President appointed the Rev. Messrs. Weeks and Sutherland as a Committee to report upon the credentials of Lay Delegates.

The list of Parishes in union with the Convention, and of organized Missions, was then called by the Secretary, when the Lay Delegates from the same presented their credentials.

The Committee, after examining the credentials, reported that the following Parishes, entitled to representation in the Convention, had duly elected as their Lay Delegates the following named persons:

St. James' Church, Arlington	Jesse Burdette, Martin H. Deming, Edward C. Woodworth, J. Rollin Judson,
Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls	George H. Babbitt, James H. Williams,* John W. Flint,* James H. Webb.*
St. Peter's Church, Bennington	Luman P. Norton,* Walter G. Richardson,* Lyman F. Abbott,* John H. Norton.*
Calvary Church, Berkshire	Homer D. Loverein,* Ezra B. Smith.
Christ Church, Bethel	Aaron H. Wilson, Charles W. Curtis.
St. Thomas' Church, Brandon	George Briggs, Charles W. Briggs, John P. Reed *

St. Michael's Church, Brattleboro	Kittredge Haskins, Fred W. Childs, John M. Hackley.
St. Paul's Church, Burlington	LeGrand B. Cannon,* Daniel W. Robinson, Heman W. Allen, Henry Wells, Henry H. Ross, Henry L. Ward.
St. Luke's Church, Chester	Oscar Miller,* A. N. Chandler.
Christ Church, Enosburgh	Caleb R. Brewer.
St. Matthew's Church, Enosburgh Falls	Augustus Cramton, Arthur J. Darrah, Carmi L. Marsh.
Christ Church, Fairfax	Douglass Buck.*
Christ Church, Guilford	William H. Jacobs.*
St. John's Church, Highgate	Charles A. Skeels,
St. James' Church, Hydeville	Thomas Metcalf.* Russell W. Hyde.
Christ Church, Island Pond	William H. Bishop, James M. Thurston.
Calvary Church, Jericho	Ira Hawley.*
Zion Church, Manchester Center	Edmond L. Wyman, Charles L. Dench,* J. Charles Heinel.*
St. Stephen's Church, Middlebury	Edward P. Russell, Noble S. Dewey, John E. Fisher.
Union Church, Montgomery	Charles F. Rawson.
Christ Church, Moutpelier	Charles Dewey, Fred E. Smith, George Brainerd, William H. Cowell.
St. Mary's Church, Northfield	Fred N. Whitney,* Frank L. Howe.*
St. John's Church, Poultney	Arthur E. Horton,* Edward D. Ellis, Seth B. Woodworth.
Grace Church, Randolph	Luke Parish.*
St. John's Church, West Randolph	John F. Parsons, Joel B. Putnam.*
St. Paul's Church, Royalton	Arthur G. Whithorne.
Trinity Church, Rutland	George R. Bottum, Edward L. Temple, John N. Woodfin, George T. Chaffee,* Levi G. Kingsley, Charles Turner.
Grace Church, West Rutland	Edwin McKelsey.
Grace Church, Sheldon	Jacob H. Stufflebean.
Trinity Church, Shelburne	W. Seward Webb,* William H. Tyler.
St. Luke's Church, St. Albans	Myron W. Bailey, John W. Hobart, John C. Stranahan, Charles S. Forbes, George Cassidy, John F. Locke.

St. Andrew's Church, St. Johnsbury	Elisha May,* Lyman P. Harriman, James Ritchie, Jr.* George F. Cushman.
Holy Trinity Church, Swanton	Henry M. Stone.
St. Paul's Church, Vergennes	Charles E. Parker, Cyrus A. Booth, D. Henry Lewis, Spencer W. Hindes.
St. Paul's Church, Wells	Oliver R. Hopson.
St. Paul's Church, Windsor	Henry D. Stone. Edward Brown.* Charles H. Ingalls.*
St. James' Church, Woodstock	James B. Jones, Charles F. Chapman.

Mr. George H. Babbitt, delegate from Bellows Falls, not having credential, was by vote, admitted to a seat.

The Committee on Credentials reported that the following persons had been elected Delegates to represent organized Missions :

Good Shepherd, Barre,	William D. Reid.
St. Barnabas', East Middlebury,	Solon Sumner. *
St. Ann's Richford,	James F. Hamilton.
St. Luke's, Fair Haven,	A. S. Murray.
St. Mark's, Newport,	Theophilus Grout.
St. Augustine, North Troy,	J. S. Dorman.

Those with * after their name were not present at Convention.

The roll of Lay Delegates from Parishes and from Missions was then called by the Secretary, when a quorum of Laity as well as Clergy, according to the Canons, was found to be present. The President announced that the Convention was duly organized.

The Bishop then proceeded to the Administration of the Holy Communion, the Epistle being read by the Rev. Mr. Lewis, Rector of the Parish, and the Gospel by the Rev. Dr. Bliss, President of the Standing Committee.

The Bishop in place of a sermon delivered his ANNUAL ADDRESS.

THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

My Brethren of the Clergy and of the Laity :

Next year it will be my duty to deliver a formal Charge to the Diocese on some point of Faith or Morals, of the Church's Doctrine, Discipline, or Worship. I desire on this occasion to confine myself to Diocesan concerns, and more particularly to suggestions that arise from the Parochial Reports which I have received.

First let me report my own official acts and ministrations. Since the last Convention I have visited all the parishes and mission stations in the Diocese, many of them more than once, and have held services in several places where we have no regular ministrations.

I have celebrated the Holy Communion, within the Diocese and outside my own Chapel, 122 times, with 47 Celebrations in my Chapel, and 34 outside the Diocese.

I have Baptized on ten occasions 18 persons, of whom 6 were adults.

I have administered Confirmation on 48 occasions to 270 candidates in the Diocese, and have confirmed eleven for the Bishop of Massachusetts on three occasions.

My Sermons in the Diocese number 227,* with 14 Addresses, and 12 Catechizings.

Outside the Diocese I have preached 71 Sermons,* and made 16 Addresses.

* Including Retreat Meditations.

Certainly in Vermont the Bishop cannot be thought of as a Confirming and Ordaining officer. Rather he will be regarded, I trust, as the chief minister of the Word and Sacraments.

I have Ordained one Priest; Consecrated one Church; and have given my canonical consent to the Consecration of one Bishop, Dr. John Hazen White, elected to the See of Indiana.

I have received by Letters Dimissory eight Clergymen from other Dioceses; and have transferred four.

I have received by transfer one Candidate for Holy Orders; and have admitted two as Candidates for the Diaconate only, one of whom I transferred to the Bishop of Kentucky, that under his guidance he might prepare for ministering among people of his own race in the South. One Candidate has withdrawn.

The Clergy of the Diocese now number, in addition to the Bishop, thirty-five Priests, and one Deacon.

One venerable priest, one of my own predecessors as Assistant at the Church of the Advent in Boston, the Reverend Moses Parsons Stickney, passed away in August, and another, the Rev. Louis McDonald, for many years withdrawn on account of mental infirmity both from ministry and from society, died within the last week.

We have at present seven Candidates for Priest's Orders, and one for Deacon's Orders only. Postulants I do not think it necessary to report, as the Church is in no sense responsible for them. The Laity of the Diocese will, I feel sure, agree with the Bishop in his resolution to insist upon really satisfactory evidence of Candidates being intellectually as well as spiritually fitted to enter on their ministry before by Ordination commissioning them to act as religious teachers. They will likewise appreciate the rule which he has made to admit

no Postulant to be a Candidate for the Ministry who does not, before entering on his directly Theological studies, possess such a knowledge of the English Bible as would be the natural result of its regular use as a Christian layman. I cannot but feel that if greater care had been taken in admitting persons to Holy Orders, we should not have the scandal of so many Depositions from the Ministry. I have received from different Bishops notice of fourteen Depositions during the year.

Twenty-six Lay Readers hold the Bishop's license from Advent 1894 to Advent 1895.

In the Annual Visitation of a Parish or Mission I hope to continue the plan which I began, as a rule, with my second year, of meeting the Vestry or Lay Officers for conference. Such a meeting with the Chief Pastor of the Diocese may serve to deepen the sense of responsibility on the part of Vestrymen ; it affords a natural opportunity for the asking or giving of advice, and for the unravelling of parochial tangles, or the clearing up of matters in the Diocese concerning which there may have been misunderstanding.

At five places I have made prolonged Visitations, of the nature of a Mission :—at Montpelier, during the session of the Legislature ; at White River Junction, in connection with the Consecration of the Church ; at Middlebury, during the first eight days of Advent ; at St. Johnsbury, during Holy week ; and at Brattleboro, where I preached for eight evenings in the Town Hall, at the request of a number of leading citizens including most of the Ministers of the place.

Of the value of such special ministrations from time to time, and in many places, I have no doubt. But I must beg my brethren, both of the Clergy and of the Laity, to remember that not every place is fitted for the same treatment, or

would be equally benefited thereby ; and that it is not possible for a Bishop to be in all places at once, or to be always in some place away from home. There are Diocesan as well as personal needs which demand a certain residence at a central point.

The mention of a central point suggests a few words about the Episcopal Residence. Since the meeting of the Convention last year, chiefly owing to the munificence of one family in Burlington, a new house, dignified and commodious, has been built on the site of the original house planned and erected by Bishop Hopkins. The new Residence was dedicated and blessed on New Year's Eve. Its furniture and contents, largely the gift of kind friends within and without Vermont, are secured to the Diocese for the use not only of the present Bishop, but of his successors in office.

Since January two students preparing for Holy Orders have been living with the Bishop and his Chaplain.

The libraries of Bishop Hopkins and Bishop Bissell, with other contributions,* making a really valuable collection, are properly housed, and will, I hope, soon be catalogued, and so made available for wider use in the Diocese. A "suitable place of deposit"† is provided for documents held by the Registrar.

The House being close to the two Schools, the Bishop and his Chaplain take the spiritual care of both institutions.

The Retreats for Clergy and for Churchwomen, which were well attended when first held last year, will become, I trust, annual gatherings. And at other times the Bishop's

* From the library of the late Rev. M. P. Stickney, given by his widow ; from the library of the late George Cheyne Shattuck, M. D., of Boston, given by his family; and from the Society of St. John the Evangelist.

† Canon III, title I.

House will be a meeting-place for the Clergy and lay-people of the Diocese for both conference and devotion.

Concerning our Schools I would urge again, as I did last year, the absolute need of endowments if the Schools are to serve their intended purpose, to offer Christian Education according to the principles of the Church to any considerable number of our Vermont boys and girls.

Personal friends outside the Diocese have enabled me to give seven scholarships of One Hundred Dollars to pupils at Bishop Hopkins Hall who could not afford the regular charges, which without endowments, or largely increased numbers, we cannot reduce, while we aim at giving first-class tuition. With our splendid property, unsurpassed in beauty and healthfulness, and the advantages that the Bishop's residence in the midst of the School families affords, we may, I think, appeal to those who value Christian Education and who would spread the influence of the Church in our rural districts, to aid us by putting our Schools in a position to receive pupils at a charge which will be within reach of average Vermont people.

Widening our view from Rock Point to the Diocese at large, I think we may be encouraged by the progress made during the last twelve months.

In our Parishes there are vacancies just now at Manchester and Island Pond, but these I trust will soon be filled. The vacancy of long standing at Swanton has been happily filled, and I hope before long a new Church building may be begun. Highgate and Sheldon again have a Rector, and Services are held from time to time at Fairfield. St. Paul's, Burlington, now has an Assistant for the Parish, instead of sharing him with the Mission at Winooski, and I hope that this may soon lead to the formation of a second congregation, if not to the establishment of a second parish, in the

city, where we ought to do more aggressive work than is possible with St. Paul's as our only Church.

Among the Missions, White River Junction after a long interval has once more a resident Pastor, and good work is being done both in the village and in the neighborhood.

Through the liberality of a Churchman in Burlington, I have been able to appoint a resident Clergyman to the charge of the Mission at Winooski, with the care also of Essex Junction.

Barre now has its own Priest, and I trust soon will have its own Church. The Diocese at large promptly responded to the special appeal which I put forth in the fall for means with which to procure a property, and gave me the Six Thousand Dollars for which I asked within the time specified, a month. But partly, I think, through misunderstanding, and partly through surprise and pleasure at having done so much, people have failed to send more than a small portion of the other Four Thousand Dollars for which I asked in order to go on with the work. However, the Missionary Committee agreed with me that it would not be wise to wait; and I hope that you will join with me in laying the foundation stone of the new Church of the Good Shepherd at Barre to-morrow, thus manifesting the interest which the Diocese should take in every advance which the Church makes, and which it has generously shown in this particular enterprise.

Only second in urgency to the need and claims of Barre are those of places in the eastern part of the Diocese, in the neighbourhood of St. Johnsbury. Both at Lyndonville and at Victory there is a demand for the Services of the Church, which we must not refuse. A Deacon working in this district under the Rector of St. Johnsbury will, I believe, be able to accomplish much in these places. None of our own

Candidates being ready for ordination, I have borrowed for this work a Deacon from the Bishop of Connecticut.

I must not further review the Diocesan field; but proceed to ask your attention to some suggestions under the head of (I) Finance, (II) Services, (III) Church Buildings, (IV) Parochial Registers, and (V) Canons.

I. FINANCE.

In the payment of stipends there seem to have been very few cases where the amount paid to the Clergyman during the year fell below the sum promised. I need hardly say that with small stipends (such as all but a very few of ours are) the *prompt* as well as the *full.* payment, whether quarterly or monthly, is of great importance.

Some parishes are in arrears in the payment of various Diocesan dues, for the Episcopal fund and for Convention expenses. These matters will come before us in due course on the Reports of the Treasurers of the several Funds.

The Missionary Committee will present our need of larger contributions than we received, or asked, from the different congregations last year, in order to prosecute the growing work of Diocesan Missions. Here I would only beg that the apportionment fixed by the Missionary Committee may be regarded generally as a *minimum*, not as the *maximum* contribution to be expected from the parish.

Our Canons* require an offering to be made annually in every Parish and Mission Station on some Sunday in the month of May for Aged and Infirm Clergymen, and for the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen belonging to this Diocese. The instances in which this rule is neglected far outnumber those in which it is obeyed.†

*Canon VII, title IV.

†This year only 15 congregations report such a collection, and the total amount of the offerings is only $107.15.

It is not good to have any law on the Statute book which is generally disregarded. Yet I should be extremely sorry to see this provision expunged ; for a Diocese which can only give its pastors just enough to support them is bound, if it would retain its older Clergymen, to do what it can to provide for those who are worn out in its service, and who owing to the smallness of their stipends could not lay by for themselves.

Our contributions for Domestic and Foreign Missions are lamentably small. So far as the Parochial Reports show they only amount, for the whole Diocese, to $982.57 for Domestic Missions (in which I have included $43.08 for Missions to the Jews, for which as a separate purpose the General Board is not responsible), and $367.19 for Foreign Missions ; less than Fourteen Hundred Dollars in all. No wonder there is an alarming deficit at the Church Missions House, if the authorities reckon on a dollar from every communicant of the Church. We report this year some 4,800 on our Communicant roll. Several of our larger Parishes have contributed nothing to Foreign Missions, and some nothing to Domestic Missions, that is to the work of the Church in our own country outside of Vermont.

I cannot think the plan a good one which was adopted by a resolution of the Diocesan Convention of 1881, which recommended a *general subscription* for *Missions* in each parish, the whole amount collected to be sent to the Treasurer of the Diocese, and three-fourths to be by him assigned to Diocesan Missions, and one-fourth to General Missions, Domestic and Foreign.

To give to Missions—in Vermont, in other parts of America, and in foreign countries,—in a lump seems a very unintelligent and uninteresting offering, that would only be made, if at all, in a half-hearted and perfunctory fashion.

Commonly this danger of perfunctory giving has been avoided by not giving at all. People need to have their sympathy and interest awakened in Missionary work ; and this can only be accomplished by the spread of information about the different fields of Missionary enterprise, and their several needs and opportunities. I beg you not to let it be thought that Missionary interests are committed by our Lord Jesus Christ or by His Church to the Woman's Auxiliary or its Junior Branch. Useful, most valuable, as these organizations are for their intended purposes, I fear that there is a danger, in some of our congregations, of their existence being regarded as fulfilling all requirements of a Missionary kind.

Beside the Quarterly Collections in Church, required by the Canon, for *Diocesan* Missions, surely we might have in all our congregations an offering at least once a year for *Foreign* Missions (to the heathen), and once a year for *Domestic* Missions (to spread the ministrations of the Church throughout the length and breadth of our own land). These collections should of course be distinct from the Children's Lenten Offering. And they should be prepared for by the dissemination, whether in a sermon or by papers, of information concerning the department of Missionary work for which offerings are asked. In most of our congregations it would be possible to form some sort of Missionary Association, every member of which would pledge himself (I use the masculine pronoun advisedly, but by no means in an exclusive sense) to a stated contribution, however small, every week or month, for Missionary purposes ; and to spread, as opportunity might offer, information about the work. Thus Offerings, in addition to those required for parochial purposes, would be ready for the regular collections in Church. Our frugal calculations in a rural community ought to make

unnecessary the reminder that small sums are not to be despised; it is by the accumulation of these that large amounts are raised.

I feel the more sanguine about this suggestion, not only from past experience, but from noticing that in some of our feeblest congregations there have been contributions for Missions, Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign, as the result of careful instruction. And I am convinced that we shall never suffer loss ourselves by extending help to others. The proverb, "There is that scattereth and yet increaseth," has hardly taken hold of the Vermont mind and conscience. Shut up within our own borders, Parochial and Diocesan, we shall never be our best. Enlarging our sympathies and feeling ourselves a part of a larger whole, our own powers will be expanded.

II. SERVICES.

In examining the Parochial Reports I find that in many cases (perhaps the majority) the point of the information required was not grasped. I am not so anxious to know the *number* of Services held during the year, on Sundays and week days, as to know the *rule* concerning Sunday Services, the observance of Holy Days, and of Lent, and what Services are held on ordinary week days.

In some places, during Lent or in the winter, it has been customary to have Service in private houses, the residences of parishioners, instead of in the Church. This I am sure is a mistake. It fosters the notion that the Church is a social and somewhat select club, formed of more or less congenial people; it prevents the attendance of persons who are not on terms of social friendship with the host (or hostess) at whose house the Service is held; while, of course, strangers, who might be glad to enter an open Church, feel themselves shut

out from a private gathering of this kind. We need in every way to make it plain that the Church building is the common spiritual home and rallying place of the parishioners, and that its doors are open, like the arms of the spiritual society of which it is the material symbol, to welcome all who will seek its shelter and ministrations. The extra outlay in fuel would probably be repaid in a very short time by the increased offerings of people who were taught thus to regard and prize their Church. There are a few cases where, with a large Church, no Chapel, and very small resources, it is impracticable to use the Church on week days in extremely cold weather. In such places it would be well to set apart a distinctly recognized Oratory in the Rectory or elsewhere.

In what has just been said, it must not be supposed that I desire in any way to discourage "Cottage Lectures"—informal Services in outlying districts whence people cannot well come to the Church. These may be most valuable for our own scattered people, and to gather in neighbours who perhaps are not yet prepared to attend the Church. But such cottage lectures, which I should be glad to see more widely used, are not intended to be a substitute for, but to supplement the ordinary Services.

This antithesis applies to another matter. I am thankful to note the increase of such elastic Devotions as that of The Three Hours on Good Friday. I have myself conducted this service (at Rutland and at St. Johnsbury) on each of the two Good Fridays that I have spent in the Diocese ; and in different places almost without intermission for over twenty years. We need, I am persuaded, a considerable increase of such less formal elements in our ministrations. Amongst these I should reckon more frequent gatherings for Intercession, or Preparation for the Holy Communion, or the Exposition of Holy Scripture,—Prayer Meetings and

Bible Classes, if you like so to call them. But there are cautions to be observed.

(1) All such informal ministrations should be by way of supplement to the prescribed Services of the Prayer Book, not in substitution for them. To omit the regular service of Good Friday, with its solemn reading of the Scriptures of the Passion, in Psalm, Lesson, and Gospel, for the sake of The Three Hours Devotion of our own devising, would be as unwise spiritually, as it would be contrary to our ecclesiastical obligations.

(2) Not all places or congregations would be equally benefited by such informal services. Do not let us be stereotyped in our endeavors to be elastic; nor think to introduce the same service, or in like fashion, in every place.

(3) Such elastic services (I know no better term by which to describe them), if held in Church, should have the sanction of the Bishop. This rule applies also to any prayers to be used in Church which are not contained in the Prayer Book.*

The practice of celebrating the Holy Communion in the afternoon, of which I spoke in my Address last year as obtaining in some outlying Churches under the idea of necessity, has now, I hope, been everywhere abandoned. And a weekly Celebration of the Holy Sacrament has been established in several of our Parishes, and at different hours in the morning, so as to accommodate different classes of per-

* On any day when Morning and Evening Prayer shall have been said, or are to be said in Church, the Minister may, at any other Service for which no form is provided, use such devotions as he shall at his discretion select from this Book, subject to the direction of the Ordinary.

For days of Fasting and Thanksgiving, appointed by the Civil or by the Ecclesiastical Authority, and for other special occasions for which no Service or Prayer hath been provided in this Book, the Bishop may set forth such Form or Forms as he shall think fit, in which case none other shall be used.—*Rubrico Concerning the Service of the Church.*

sons. So far as I can gather, there is now a Celebration every Sunday in 16 of our Churches. In three or four more places, where different Churches are served by the same Priest, there is a Celebration within his cure on every Lord's Day. Others I trust will follow. We can neither claim to be Scriptural, Primitive, nor Catholic, if we allow *the* Lord's Service, the Breaking of the Bread, to be regarded as an occasional Lord's Day Service.

The Prayer Book (in the first rubric at the end of the Cathechism) and our own Diocesan Canon* expressly order the Clergyman "publicly before the congregation" to instruct and examine the children in the Catechism. The general change in the larger places in the hour of Evening Prayer from afternoon to evening, and the fact that many of our Clergymen have a second Church to serve in the afternoon, have combined (perhaps also with a love of exhortation and a dislike of instruction) to bring about a disregard of this wholesome rule. Sunday School at the end of Morning Service, when the general congregation has left, when perhaps the Clergyman has to hurry off for another service, and the teachers are necessarily tired, is no proper substitute for this public catechising as an integral and important part of a service.

There are, I know, many difficulties in the way of a change. But I am persuaded that they are not insurmountable. I would suggest that in some places, where the clergyman has not a fixed engagement elsewhere on every Sunday, Evening Prayer be said in the afternoon on one Sunday in the month, followed by a public Catechising of the Children before the Congregation, instead of a Sermon. If the Catechist takes pains to prepare himself and his work, with

* Canon IV. Title IV.

quite as much care as he would for preaching, this Service will in no long time prove attractive and popular, both with children and with older people, who are commonly glad to receive, as they often sorely need, intelligent and systematic *instruction* on the principles of Christian Faith and Life. This Catechizing might take the place on that Sunday of the ordinary Sunday School. This would be a distinct relief on Sundays when there is a midday Celebration of the Holy Communion.

In some favored places the afternoon Service for Children might be additional. In others, where there is only one Service on the Sunday, I believe the Catechizing once a month might be substituted for a Sermon with profit and pleasure. Provided always that it is conscientiously and earnestly undertaken.

But whatever be the plan adopted, I would urge the restoration of public Catechizing; and that primarily in the strict sense of the word, as the instruction and examination of the children in the Church Catechism. Whatever else is used in Sunday School, in the way of leaflets or manuals, let this be the foundation of all, and constantly referred to. All our Religion is contained therein in short compass: The Rule of Faith, the Rule of Life, the Rule of Prayer, the Great Means of Grace.

One other suggestion I desire to make in this connection. Our Sunday School teachers ought to be themselves instructed. A Teachers' meeting (which I should regard as equally important with a choir practice) would be as valuable for them as for the children, and would, I believe, be valued by such as are really anxious to help the clergyman in his duty to "feed the lambs."

It has struck me that there has been a distinct advance in reverence in our congregations during the last year. The

"Suggestions for more reverent behaviour in Church"* which were printed and circulated, I felt sure would commend themselves to the minds of thoughtful and earnest persons. I beg that the cards may be kept in prominent view in all our Churches, and that attention may be called from time to time to their recommendations. There is room for improvement among our own people, and through them others will be influenced. Let it never be forgotten that it is not the least important point of the Church's mission in New England to witness to Reverence—Reverence for God's Holy Name and Word; Reverence in Worship; Reverence for the Faith which He has revealed; Reverence for the Sacraments which He has ordained.

Heartiness of response on the part of the congregation is of the essence of our "Common Prayer." If we would recommend our Service to others, we must let them see it properly carried out. In some of our congregations the responses are admirable; in some they are miserable. Improvement might be effected in this and kindred matters by the institution of a Practice for Congregational Singing. After a week day evening Service, once or twice a month, if not weekly, Hymns and Chants could be learned by the whole congregation. This would help towards the people generally taking their part in the whole Service, and so to making the Service much more attractive and real. At the same time it would tend to free us from the embarrassment which not infrequently results from entire dependence upon a Choir. The Choir, if there were one, would recognize itself as leading the worship of the congregation, and not as the congregation's proxy. Simple music sung by all, and led by devout representatives as an act of loving service, would be an immense gain over more elaborate music per-

*These may be procured of the Tuttle Printing Company, Rutland Vt.

formed by paid singers, themselves perhaps not Church people, for the entertainment of the congregation.

I am thankful to record that the unseemly practice, as I must regard it, against which I protested last year, of vesting singing women (to whom I have no objection) in the accustomed dress of boy choristers, has been given up in the parishes of the diocese where it had obtained.

III. Church Buildings.

From the Parochial Reports it appears that nineteen of our Churches are held by the Trustees of the Diocese. Five are held by the Bishop as Trustee. Others are about to be transferred to the care of the Trustees. It is greatly to be desired that this should become the general rule. It gives security to Church property, while in no way interfering with the rights of the Parish as to the control of its buildings. The same principle applies to Rectories or Parsonage Houses. With regard to these I wish to say emphatically that I cannot regard it as legitimate for a Parish to use its Rectory as a source of income from which in part to pay the Rector's stipend or other expenses. A Rectory should be regarded as an endowment for one specific purpose—to provide a suitable residence for the Clergyman. To use it for any other purpose, unless in extreme cases, and then with sanction of proper and impartial authority, seems an abuse of a trust.

There is a remarkable and, it seems to me, a serious omission in our Canons, and, so far as I know, in those of other Dioceses, in failing to provide for anything corresponding with the English "faculty," or permission from diocesan authorities, to make any alteration in the structure or important furniture of a consecrated Church.

By Consecration the Bishop takes the Church edifice under his protection and jurisdiction. Yet, so far as canonical pro-

vision goes, it is open for a Vestry, guided perhaps by an impulsive Rector, whose zeal in one direction or another may outrun his knowledge, to make whatever alterations they please in this consecrated building, without reference to any ecclesiastical or ecclesiological authority. The architectural features of the Church might be spoiled; or unsuitable furniture introduced. To put an extreme case,—what a Bishop required to be provided before he would consecrate a Church, might be removed afterwards; or what he required to be removed, as a condition of Consecration, might be again introduced. Such possibility of irresponsible change I cannot believe was intended, as it certainly is not desirable. In the interest both of order and of stability I would suggest the consideration of some canon to be carefully drawn, requiring the approval of the Bishop (acting, if it is thought best, in any case of dispute, with certain official assessors) for any alteration in the structure or permanent furniture of a consecrated Church. Such a law, while it should guard against the enforcement of the whims or preferences of an individual Bishop, would promote continuity in parochial traditions, for what was once authoritatively sanctioned would remain, while what is introduced without authority may without permission be removed.

As to the *use* of our Churches, I think it may be worth while to remind you how carefully this is guarded by our Diocesan Canons. Canon VI of Title II gives to the Minister the control of the building.—"The church building shall be opened by the Minister for public common prayer, for catechetical and other religious instruction, for marriages, baptisms, funerals, and for other rites and ceremonies authorized by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, at such times as he may deem proper."

Canon VIII gives to the Bishop the responsibility of approving the use of the Church for any other purpose not thus specifically authorized.—"The Church edifice belonging to a Parish may be opened for all services, rites, ceremonies, or other purposes, either authorized or approved of by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, or by the Church in this Diocese, *as represented by the Bishop of the Diocese*, and for no other purpose whatever."

IV. PAROCHIAL REGISTERS.

The blank forms for Convention Reports which were issued this year, are substantially those recommended by a Committee appointed by the Diocesan Convention of 1890, and printed in the Journal of the Convention of 1891. The old form was seriously defective. The form used this year, though it may seem somewhat elaborate, if carefully filled in will be found of real value.

I desire to impress on all the great importance of an accurately kept Parish Register. The list of Communicants is of special importance. In one Parish a new Rector told me that he found on the roll of communicants the names of persons whose burial was duly entered in the same book. Where, as in this Diocese, the system of Proportional Representation obtains, and the number of delegates sent by each Parish to the Diocesan Convention is in proportion to the number of its male Communicants, accuracy in these statistics is not merely a matter of ecclesiastical interest, but of legal honesty. Persons must not be reckoned as Communicants in more than one Parish or Mission, in Vermont or elsewhere. Those who have actually ceased to reside in some place cannot be rightly counted as Communicants of the Parish or Mission in that place. Their interests and their privileges are, or should be, in their new home. Let-

ters of Commendation should be regularly given, not only when they are asked for.

There is undoubtedly a difficulty arising from the absence of any definition of a "Communicant," or of any legislative decision as to when he loses the rights which were given him when he was admitted to the Holy Communion. In the absence of any canonical definition, I fall back upon the ordinary significance of the word, and interpret a "Communicant" to mean one who receives—not who has at some time received—the Holy Communion.

Reception ought of course to be regular, and at the very least once a year. If a person deliberately abstains from receiving the Holy Sacrament for two years, without alleging any sufficient reason, I should recommend a Clergyman, after remonstrating with him, to mark that person as "Dropped" from the list of Communicants, reporting any such cases at the end of the two years to the Bishop, as he would at once report any cases of Suspension from Communion.

In case of the return to a better mind of a person so Dropped, he should be Admitted afresh.

The double return called for this year of "Communicants," and of the "number who have actually communicated during the past year," shews the necessity of some such discriminating action.

The total number of Communicants on the Parochial Lists as reported is 4683. By the addition of the number reported from Bellows Falls last year (this year's report owing to the illness of the Rector has not been received) this total is raised to 4888. This is the number of nominal communicants. Eleven parishes have not reported the number of those who have actually received the Holy Sacrament during the past twelve months. But in the 43 reports which have

given both figures asked for the difference between nominal and actual communicants is that of 2929 to 2450 (or 479). This seems to shew that nearly one-sixth of those on our lists of communicants, or about 17 per cent., are not in the habit, at any rate, of receiving the Holy Communion.

By our Diocesan Constitution two Reports are required from each Cure; one from the Rector or Missionary, and another from the Lay Delegates. These two Reports to a certain extent cover the same ground. A simpler, and I think better, arrangement would be to combine these two Reports into one to be signed by the Minister and Lay Officers. This would require a change in several clauses of our Constitution, which can only be effected by the action of two successive Conventions. I commend this matter to your consideration. Also a proposition to make the year for our Parochial and other Reports to Convention begin and end with the first day of May, instead of with Easter Monday. This would secure a uniform period of twelve months, whereas Easter to Easter means a year of variable length. May 1st would allow sufficient time after Easter, when the Annual Parish Meeting would still be held, to gather in any outstanding accounts of debit and credit; and it would give sufficient time before our Diocesan Convention (on the supposition that we continue to hold it in June) for the Reports to be made out, forwarded to the Bishop, and considered by him in preparation for the Convention.

V. Canons.

There are several other points concerning which a revision of our Canons has been proposed to me, and in some of which I think them capable of improvement. But I should depreciate immediate action for these reasons:

(1) A system which for the most part was framed by Bishop Hopkins, and which has been handed down by Bishop Bissell, should not be lightly changed.

(2) I am anxious to gain more experience of the actual working of the present system, and to put it all, as far as possible, to a practical test, before undertaking any extensive revision.

(3) A revision of the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention is now in process, and it would seem desirable, for the sake of harmony and symmetry, to wait until this has been completed before we revise our Diocesan Canons.

There are, however, two points, besides those already mentioned to which I desire to call the attention of the Convention.

(1) By what I feel sure must have been an oversight, our Canons give no directions as to a formal call for a meeting of the Vestry, nor as to the length of notice required.

Clearly this leaves the way open for serious abuses, which should be guarded against.

(2) A question of considerable importance is suggested by the number of decayed Parishes, of Parishes that is which were once vigorous, and largely, if not entirely, self-supporting, but which, owing to the ebb of population from their neighbourhood, have sunk to a position of feebleness and dependence.

Being organized Parishes, though unable now to comply with the conditions which we require for becoming a Parish, these small congregations have Parochial rights—for instance, the election of their own Rector, and a vote in the Diocesan Convention.

On the other hand, a flourishing Mission, with perhaps a goodly number of Communicants, is restricted to a repre-

sentative at the Convention with no vote, and a voice only "in deliberations respecting the Missions of the Diocese."

Here is an obvious inequality, which demands the consideration of the Convention. My own solution of the problem would be:—(1) To grant to every Mission of a certain strength, and which has been organized for a certain length of time, a single vote in Convention. And then (2) To put in operation the power which is now given to the Bishop, acting with the consent of the Standing Committee, to reduce these decayed Parishes to the status of Missions.

It would be an ungracious task to do this, without absolute necessity, under the present rule, and so to deprive of its vote a Parish which has perhaps taken a prominent part in the action of Diocesan Conventions for many years. But when this privilege of the vote was secured, I believe the Mission status would generally be accepted with little hesitation.

There is one other matter concerning which a word of advice seems called for. You have to elect to-day Deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention of the Church, which meets at Minneapolis in October. The proposed revision of the Constitution and Canons is a matter of great importance, affecting the whole Church. It is desirable that every Diocese should send, if possible, its best representatives, and such as can and will faithfully and diligently attend the sessions of the Convention. I would ask you to bear in mind in choosing all officers, parochial and diocesan, that complimentary elections shew very little respect for the Office which has to be filled, and that the work of a Parish or Diocese may be seriously impaired by the election of persons who from one cause or another are unable to fulfil the duties which are put upon them.

Let us now, my Brethren, as we celebrate the Holy Mysteries implore the Divine Blessing upon our Diocese, begging our merciful Father to pardon all that has been done amiss, to accept and prosper what we have sought to do in His Name and for His glory, to guide us in our present work, to endue us with a spirit of generosity, courage, and meekness.

Amongst those who have entered into their rest let us commemorate two who have passed from the ranks of our own Clergy, Moses Parsons Stickney and Louis MacDonald, Priests, and of Bishops of our Communion, William Bell White Howe, Bishop of South Carolina, David Buel Knickerbacker, Bishop of Indiana, and Elisha Smith Thomas, Bishop of Kansas.

"The Lord grant unto them that they may find mercy of the Lord in that day."

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June 6. Wednesday. Presided at the One hundred and fourth Annual Convention of the Diocese in St. Luke's Church, St. Albans. Celebrated the Holy Communion at the opening service. Read my first Annual Address in the afternoon.

June 7. Thursday. Celebrated the Holy Communion at seven. Presided at the concluding session of the Diocesan Convention. In the evening confirmed eighteen candidates in St. Luke's Church, and preached. Licensed Mr. Edward Brown as Lay Reader in St. Paul's, Windsor.

June 9. Saturday. To Hanover, N. H. At the Rectory in the evening met a number of the parishioners and of the College (Dartmouth) professors and students.

June 10. THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. At St. Thomas's, Hanover. Morning: Celebrated the Holy Communion and preached. A good many of our people from the neighboring parts of Vermont came to the Service. Afternoon: Addressed the children on Missions. Evening: Preached to a large congregation from the College.

June 11. Monday. ST. BARNABAS' DAY. Celebrated the Holy Communion at Hanover. Returned to Burlington. Important conference of Committee concerning arrangements for Bishop Hopkins Hall.

June 12. Tuesday. Closing exercises of the Vermont Episcopal Institute. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist in the Chapel early and confirmed a pupil. Preached at the midday Service, at which the Revs. Drs. Bliss and Harris, and

Messrs. Hardy and Johnson assisted. Afternoon: Adjourned annual meeting of the Trustees of the Institute, at which arrangements for the Girl's School were formally concluded.

June 13. Wednesday. Meeting of the Missionary Committee to make appropriations for the year. Confirmed a pupil in the Chapel of Bp. Hopkins Hall, and addressed the School. Accepted the transfer of the Rev. George Joseph Sutherland from the Diocese of Quebec.

June 14. Thursday. Closing Exercises at Bp. Hopkins Hall. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist at the mid-day Service, the Rev. Dr. Adams, Principal of Bishop's College Lennoxville, P. Q., preaching the sermon. Several of the Clergy of the Diocese were present. Afterwards distributed the diplomas to the Graduating Class, and made a short address.

June 16. Saturday. Met a large number of old Boston friends and also of Vermont residents in Boston, at a reception given by Mr. Charles P. Gardiner at Fernwood, Brookline, Mass. In the evening preached at the annual Festival Service of the Boston Branch of the Guild of St. Barnabas for Nurses, in St. Stephen's Church.

June 17. FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. At St. Stephen's Church, Boston, with my former colleagues, the Rev. Messrs. Torbert and Brent. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist early; Confirmed a supplementary class for the Bishop of Massachusetts; Preached morning and evening, and addressed St. Mary's Ward of the G. F. S.

June 18. Monday. After celebrating the Holy Communion at St. Stephen's, returned to Burlington.

June 19. Tuesday. Accepted the Letter Dimissory of the Rev. Alex. Aug. Cairns (whom I have appointed to the

charge of the Missions at Newport and North Troy) from the Bishop of Pittsburgh. Licensed Theophilus Grout as Lay Reader in Newport. In the evening began a Retreat for Churchwomen of the Diocese at Bp. Hopkins Hall. Thirty joined in the exercises of the Retreat, which ended on Friday morning. The Holy Communion was celebrated each morning early; Morning and Evening Prayer were said, and short services at noon and at night; and three addresses given on Wednesday and on Thursday, with an introductory address on Tuesday evening. The subjects of the Meditations were: (1) Hearkening for the Voice of God, (2) God's knowledge of us, (3) Self-Examination, (4) Death, (5) Our Lord's Example, (6) The Bread of Life, (7) The reward of the faithful in the knowledge of God.

June 24. ST. JOHN BAPTIST DAY. (FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.) Morning: At Trinity Mission, Winooski. Confirmed eleven candidates, (three husbands with their wives), preached and celebrated the Holy Eucharist. Evening: Gave the address at the anniversary service of the University Y. M. C. A. in the First Baptist Church, Burlington.

June 25. Monday. Removed to the Vermont Episcopal Institute, Bishop Hopkins Hall being closed for the summer vacation. Received notice that funds had been generously contributed by three members of one family to rebuild the Bishop's House entirely.

June 27. Wednesday. Attended the Commencement Exercises of the University of Vermont. Gave the Benediction in the Opera House, and spoke at the Corporation dinner.

June 28. Thursday. At Bishop's College, Lennoxville, P. Q., for Convocation Day. Celebrated the Holy Eucha-

rist early; preached the University Sermon at mid-day; made an Address in the afternoon in the Convocation Hall, when the degree of Doctor of Divinity *jure dignitatis* was conferred upon me.

June 29. Friday. ST. PETER'S DAY. Celebrated the Holy Communion and made an Address in the Chapel of Bishop's College at six o'clock. To Island Pond, where I preached after Evening Prayer, and confirmed four persons.

June 30. Saturday. Mr. Bell drove me from Island Pond to Newport, where I was entertained by Mr. Grout.

July 1. SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Celebrated the Holy Communion and preached in St. Mark's, in the forenoon. About sixty communicants. Drove to North Troy in the afternoon, and preached in St. Augustine's at Evening Prayer. Returned to Newport for Evening Service, and preached. The Rev. Mr. Forsyth, from Stanstead in the Diocese of Quebec, assisted the Missionary (Rev. A. A. Cairns) and myself in the morning, and the Rev. Mr. Brown, from Mansonville in the Diocese of Montreal, in the afternoon.

July 2. Monday. Met many of the members of St. Mark's Mission, and others, in the evening at Mr. Grout's.

July 3. Tuesday. Returned to Burlington *via* Richford, where I had an opportunity for conference concerning the care of St. Ann's Mission.

July 4. Wednesday. Licensed Kittredge Haskins as Lay Reader for St. Michael's, Brattleboro. Enrolled William Cyprian Hopkins, Jr., and Walter Harriman Cambridge among candidates for Priest's Orders; and received Richard H. Lane as a Postulant.

July 6. Friday. Licensed James H. Hamilton as Lay Reader at Richford.

July 7. Saturday. Received notification of the deposition (July 3) of Edward Albert Cote, Deacon, by the Bishop of Fond du Lac.

July 8. SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist at the Institute early. Officiated and preached morning and evening at St. Paul's, Burlington, the Rev. Canon Davis, of St. Louis, spending the Sunday with me and assisting.

July 9. Monday. Began the public saying of Daily Morning and Evening prayer in the Chapel of the Institute, when I am at home.

July 10. Tuesday. Received and accepted the Letter Dimissory of the Rev. Joseph B. Trevett, M. D., from the Missionary Jurisdiction of Southern Florida. Dr. Trevett is elected Recter of Bethel and of Royalton.

July 11. Wednesday. Licensed Charles H. Reynolds as Lay Reader at Swanton.

July 13. Friday. Confirmed nine candidates at St. Stephen's, Middlebury, and preached.

July 14. Saturday. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist early at Middlebury (thirty-six communicants). Stopped for a few hours at Brandon on my way to Manchester, where in the evening I met the Church people and many others at the Misses Hawley's cottage.

July 15. EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Celebrated the Holy Communion in St. John's, Manchester, at eight. Held Service and preached at eleven and five. Preached at Zion Church, Manchester Center, in the evening.

July 16. Monday. Spent some hours in Rutland on my way back to Burlington for consultation with different persons. In the evening delivered the Address to the Graduating Class of the Medical School of the University of Vermont at the Commencement Exercises in the Opera House.

July 18. Wednesday.. At Grand Isle. Held Service and preached to a large congregation in the Congregational Church which was kindly lent us. We have very few people on the Island, and there have been no Church Services since the Rev. Dr. Fay left.

July 19. Thursday. Celebrated the Holy Communion with three devout women in the house of Dr. Sears (where I was entertained), at Keeler's Bay.

July 20. Friday. Received notice of the Deposition (July 17) by the Bishop of Milwaukee, of Charles H. Lemon, M. D., Presbyter. Licensed Frederick A. Wheeler as Lay Reader at Fairfax.

July 21. Saturday. With Mr. Graves to visit several of the Mission Stations under his care. Held Evening Service and preached at Cambridge Boro in the Congregational Church, loaned to us for the occasion.

July 22. NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. In our little Chapel at Cambridge Boro at seven o'clock Baptized an infant, celebrated the Holy Eucharist (eight communicants) and gave a short exposition of the Gospel.

Later, Morning Prayer and Sermon at Cambridge Centre, in the Congregational Church (of which we have the use one Sunday morning in the month).

Drove fourteen miles to Underhill for Service in Calvary Church at four o'clock; confirmed two lads and preached. Called on Mr. Bliss, one of the founders of the parish here, who is now very feeble.

Evening Service and Sermon at Jericho in the Academy Hall. Afterwards confirmed a sick man in private.

My impression concerning these Missions is distinctly that we ought to separate this group from Milton and Georgia and Buck Hollow (with which Grand Isle should be associated) and have a Clergyman resident in each group.

July 23. Monday. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist at seven in the Chapel at Mrs. Clapp's house (thirteen communicants). Returned to Burlington by noon, and presided at a meeting of the Missionary Committee.

July 24. Tuesday. Gave my canonical consent to the election of an Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Iowa.

July 25. Wednesday. ST. JAMES'S DAY, Celebrated the Holy Eucharist in the Chapel of the Institute at seven (ten communicants). Sent letter Dimissory for the Rev. Lucius M. Hardy to the Diocese of Rhode Island. Left Vermont for a vacation until September 1.

July 29. TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Officiated at St. Peter's, Cazenovia, N. Y. Celebrated the Holy Communion, said Morning and Evening Prayer, and preached.

August 5. ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. At Cazenovia. Celebrated the Holy Communion, and preached morning and afternoon.

August 6. Monday, THE TRANSFIGURATION. Celebrated the Holy Communion at Cazenovia.

August 7. Tuesday. At St. Stephen's Church, Boston, Confirmed (for the Bishop of Massachusetts) two candidates presented by the Rector of St. Andrew's, Hanover.

August 12. TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. At St. Mary's by the Sea, North East Harbor, Mt. Desert

(where I was the guest for a fortnight of Bishop Doane), celebrated the Holy Communion early, and preached in the evening.

August 19. THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. At St. Mary's by the Sea. Assisted Bishop Doane in the Celebration of the Holy Eucharist, and preached in the forenoon.

August 20. Monday. Received intelligence of the death of the Rev. Moses Parsons Stickney, the oldest presbyter of our diocese, and one of my predecessors as Assistant at the Church of the Advent, Boston. Too late for me to be present at the burial to-morrow.

Received notification of the Deposition (May 4) from the Ministry of Quincy Ewing, Priest, by the Bishop of Louisiana.

August 23. Thursday. Received notification of the deposition from the Ministry (August 13) of Paul Caryl Zotom, Deacon, by the Missionary Bishop of Oklahoma.

August 24. Friday, ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S DAY. Celebrated the Holy Communion at Christ Church, Portsmouth, N. H.

August 26. FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Celebrated early and preached at mid-day at Christ Church, Portsmouth. Preached at St. Andrew's, Rye Beach, at Evensong.

August 29. Wednesday. Officiated at the Church of the Nativity, Bethlehem, N. H. Also on Friday 31st, when I gave an address.

September 1. Saturday. Returned to Vermont, visiting Mr. Brown at White River Junction, for conference about the Mission, on my way to Woodstock.

September 2. FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. At St. James's, Woodstock; Celebrated Holy Communion and preached in the forenoon; Confirmed three persons and preached in the evening.

September 3. Monday. Woodstock; Presided at a meeting in the evening to kindle interest in Diocesan Missions. Addresses, besides my own, were made by the Revs. Messrs. Weeks and Niles, and Mr. Temple, representing the Missionary Committee, and by Dr. Harris the Diocesan Missionary.

September 4. Tuesday. Celebrated Holy Communion in St. James's, Woodstock. About thirty communicants. Drove across the mountains to Rutland with Mr. Weeks and Mr. Niles. Evening: At St. Thomas's, Brandon; Confirmed eleven candidates and preached. Appointed the Rev. C. K. P. Cogswell to the charge of St. Ann's Mission, Richford.

September 5. Wednesday. At Grace Church, Forestdale. 7.30 A. M.: Confirmed one person, celebrated the Holy Communion, and preached. Returned to Burlington in the afternoon. Received notification of Deposition from the Ministry (Aug. 10) of J. Nelson Jones, Priest, by the Assistant Bishop of Southern Ohio.

September 9. SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. At Fairfax with Mr. Graves. Celebrated the Holy Communion and preached in the forenoon in Christ Church, Buck Hollow, and preached in the afternoon. Large congregations, many people coming from neighbouring towns. In the evening held Service and preached at Fairfax Village, in the Baptist Church, which was loaned for the occasion.

September 10. Monday. Assisted in the examination of a candidate for Holy Orders.

September 13. Tuesday. Celebrated the Holy Communion in the Chapel of Bishop Hopkins Hall, where Mr. Johnson and myself are again established until the Episcopal Residence is completed. In the evening began a Retreat for Clergy at the Hall lasting until *Friday morning, 14th.* Twenty-five Clergy (in addition to the Bishop and his Chaplain) attended the Retreat, all but four being Clergy of Vermont. The Addresses were on the several Ministerial Commissions given by Our Lord Jesus Christ.

September 16. SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. At Albany, N. Y. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist early and preached in the forenoon in the Cathedral.

September 18. Tuesday—September 21. Friday. Conducted the annual Embertide Retreat for Clergy, in the Cathedral at Albany.

September 21. Friday. ST. MATTHEW'S DAY. Preached at St. James's, Arlington, in the evening.

September 22. Saturday. Ember Day. To Bennington. Gave an Instruction on the Sacraments in St. Peter's, after Evening Prayer.

September 23. EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Celebrated the Holy Communion early; preached morning and evening; catechized the Sunday School, and confirmed two persons.

September 24. Monday. To Chester, to confer with the Vestry concerning the election of a new Rector. Held Service in the Church in the evening; confirmed two persons and preached. Attended a meeting of the Vestry.

September 25. Tuesday. Celebrated the Holy Communion early (fourteen communicants). Inspected the Rectory

property with the Wardens. To Rutland for the celebration of the Centennial of the Church there. Festival Service at Trinity Church in the evening. I preached a short sermon, after Mr. E. L. Temple had read an interesting account of the past hundred years of Church life and work in the place. A good many of the Clergy of the Diocese were in attendance.

September 26. Wednesday. In Trinity Church, Rutland; Celebrated the Holy Eucharist at 7.30; full Choral Service, with a large number of communicants. In the afternoon presided at a quarterly meeting of the Missionary Committee of the Diocese. Confirmed seven candidates and preached after Evensong at 4.30. In the evening presided at a meeting in aid of Diocesan Missions. The Revs. Messrs. Atwell, E. B. Smith, and A. D. Brown, were the speakers beside myself.

September 27. Thursday. Returned to Burlington. Sent Letter Dimissory for the Rev. T. S. Ockford to the Diocese of Easton. (Accepted September 30.) Licensed Charles M. Webb as Lay Reader at Chester.

September 29. Saturday. MICHAELMAS DAY. Arrived at Toronto early, for some days work among those to whom I have ministered in time past. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist at St. Thomas's Church.

September 30. NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. At St. Thomas's, Toronto, Celebrated the Holy Eucharist early. Preached in the forenoon and in the evening. Also in the afternoon to a large congregation of men gathered by the different parochial branches of St. Andrew's Brotherhood, the Bishop of Toronto presiding.

October 1. Monday. Celebrated the Holy Communion in the Chapel of the Sisters of St. John the Divine, and received

a Novice into the Community, acting for the Warden. In the evening made a special address to Church workers gathered from different parishes in Toronto, at St. Thomas's.

October 2. Tuesday. Conducted a Quiet Day for Toronto Clergy.

October 4. Thursday. At St. Albans, for the Festival of our Choir Guild. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist at 7.30. Full Choral Service, very well sung, by St. Luke's Choir. A large number of communicants. Presided at the evening Festival Service, and addressed the choirs. At mid-day held a special Confirmation for three candidates presented by the Rev. F. H. Blunt from East Berkshire and Montgomery.

October 5. Friday. Licensed Harvey Emerson Taylor as Lay Reader for St. James's, Arlington.

October 7. TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. At St. John the Evangelist's, Montreal, for the Dedication Festival of the Church. It is just sixteen years since I preached a Mission in the newly dedicated building, in company with the present Bishop of Fond du Lac. Celebrated Holy Communion early. Preached morning and evening. In the afternoon addressed a meeting of men at the Y. M. C. A. Hall.

October 8. Monday. Celebrated the Holy Communion at St. Margaret's Home, Montreal. Addressed the boys in St. John the Evangelist's School.

October 10. Wednesday. At Washington, D. C., for the Annual Convention of St. Andrew's Brotherhood. Conducted a preparatory Quiet Day at Christ Church, Georgetown, attended by over two hundred men.

October 11. Thursday. In the afternoon made an address at the Brotherhood Conference, on Prayer. In the evening preached in St. Paul's Church.

October 12. Friday. Celebrated Holy Communion at the House of Mercy, Washington. In attendance at the Convention of the Brotherhood.

October 14. TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. In Burlington. Celebrated Holy Communion early in the Chapel of Bp. Hopkins Hall. Preached in the forenoon in St. Paul's Church, and in the evening to the two schools in the Chapel of the Hall.

October 15. Monday. In the evening preached at the opening Service of the Annual Convention of the Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary, in St. Paul's, Burlington.

October 16. Tuesday. Celebrated Holy Communion for the Woman's Auxiliary, in St. Paul's, at 7.30. Addressed the members at the beginning of their business meeting. Presided at the Missionary Meeting in the evening, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Johnston, Bishop of Western Texas, and the Rev. Frank Appleton, of St. Johnsbury, with myself, making addresses.

October 17. Wednesday. In attendance at a meeting of the House of Bishops, in New York.

October 18 Thursday. ST. LUKE'S DAY. In attendance at the meeting of the House of Bishops. Assisted the Bishop of New York in the Celebration of the Holy Communion during the session. Preached to the students in the Chapel of the General Theological Seminary.

October 21. TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. At New Haven, Conn., for the Jubilee of St. Luke's Church for colored people. Celebrated the Holy Communion there early. Preached in the forenoon for the Bishop of the Diocese at his Visitation; and preached in the evening for St. Luke's, at Trinity Church.

October 22. Monday—Wednesday, October 24. In attendance at the annual Missionary Council, at Hartford, Conn. Made one of the appointed addresses on City Missions.

October 25. Thursday. Morning: Addressed the students at the Hartford Theological Seminary.

Evening: Preached at Christ Church, New Haven, where I preached a Parochial Mission six years ago.

October 26. Friday. Celebrated the Holy Communion at 7 in Christ Church. Afternoon: Addressed the Connecticut Woman's Auxiliary at their annual meeting, in St. John's Church, Stamford, with the Bishops of Olympia, Oklahoma, Spokane, and representatives of the Mexican Church.

October 28. SS. SIMON AND JUDE. (TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY). At Rock Point. Celebrated the Holy Communion early, and said Evensong at the Hall. Preached to the two Schools at the Institute in the forenoon.

October 30. Tuesday. Assisted at the examination of a candidate for Holy Orders. Received the Letter Dimissory of the Rev. Colwart K. P. Cogswell (in charge of the Mission at Richford) from the Diocese of Ohio.

October 31. Wednesday. Preached in the Chapel of the Hall on All Saints' Eve.

November 1. Thursday, ALL SAINTS' DAY. Celebrated Holy Communion at the Hall.

November 2. Friday. Celebrated at the Hall. Visited the graves of my two predecessors in office. In the evening took the monthly Communion class at the Institute.

November 4. TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Began an eight days' Mission at Christ Church, Montpelier. Celebrated the Holy Communion

early ; preached morning and evening ; and catechized the Sunday-school.

November 5. Monday—Saturday, November 10. Each day celebrated the Holy Communion in the morning (at seven and nine alternately); gave a Scripture Exposition following Evening Prayer ; and held a Mission Service in the evening.

On Wednesday, 7th, I visited Barre, to inspect sites for the proposed new Church.

On Friday, 9th, I conducted Prayers at the opening of the House of Representatives.

November 11. TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Ended the Mission at Montpelier, with Services as last Sunday.

November 12. Monday. At Burlington. Presided at a meeting of the Missionary Committee.

November 14. Wednesday—Friday, November 16. At Boston for the Church Congress. Made addresses on the Training of candidates for Holy Orders ; and on the Appeal to Fear in Religion. Also addressed the annual meeting of the Young Travellers' Aid Society. Celebrated the Holy Communion at the Mission Church of St. John the Evangelist, and in the Chapel of St. Margaret's Home.

November 17. Saturday. At White River Junction : Began in the evening special Services in connection with the Consecration of the Church.

November 18. TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Consecrated St. Paul's Church, White River Junction ; preached and celebrated Holy Communion. In the afternoon addressed a gathering of men in the Opera House. Preached in the evening.

November 19. Monday. Celebrated the Holy Communion at 7:30, giving an Instruction on the Sacrament. Preached in the evening.

November 20. Tuesday. Services as on Monday. A reception at Mr. Brown's in the afternoon. Removed Mr. C. A. Livingston's name from the list of candidates for Holy Orders at his request. Received formal notice of the election of the Rev. G. A. Wilkins as Rector of St. John's, Highgate.

November 21. Wednesday. Concluded the special Services at White River Junction with an early celebration of the Holy Communion and Instruction.

Evening: At St. Paul's, Royalton, Preached and Confirmed two persons.

November 22. Thursday. Celebrated the Holy Communion at Royalton at seven o'clock (seventeen communicants).

To Bethel: Preached in Christ Church in the evening, and Confirmed four candidates.

November 23. Friday. Celebrated at Bethel early (nineteen communicants). In the evening at St. Mary's, Northfield; Baptized two adults, confirmed them and two other candidates, and preached.

Nov. 24. Saturday. Celebrated early at Northfield (twenty-six communicants). To West Randolph. Reception of parishioners and others in the evening.

Nov. 25. SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE ADVENT. Confirmed two persons, celebrated the Holy Communion and preached at St. John's in the forenoon. Confirmed six candidates and preached at Grace Church, Randolph Centre, in the afternoon. Preached at St. John's in the evening.

Nov. 29. THANKSGIVING DAY. At Rock Point. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist at the Hall early, and preached to the two Schools at the Institute at mid-day. Social festivities with the Schools later in the day.

Nov. 30. ST. ANDREW'S DAY. Holy Communion at the Hall. Received notice of the deposition (June 4) of S. Gregory Lines, Presbyter, by the Bishop of New York. Accepted the Letter Dimissory of the Rev. James Oswald Davis (who has become Rector of St. Luke's, Chester, and Missionary at Proctorsville) from the Bishop of Nebraska. Gave an address at the monthly Communion Class at the Institute.

Dec. 2. FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT. Began an eight days' Mission at Middlebury. Celebrated the Holy Communion at St. Stephen's at seven, and preached morning and evening. Also at St. Barnabas', East Middlebury, in the afternoon.

Dec. 3. Monday—Saturday, December 8. Celebrated the Holy Communion at seven. Gave a Scripture Exposition on the Sacraments and Chief Means of Grace in the afternoon—after Evening Prayer; and preached at night.

Dec. 9. SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT. Ended the Mission with Services as last Sunday. Baptized an adult and two infants at St. Stephen's in the morning, and an infant at St. Barnabas' in the afternoon.

Dec. 12. Wednesday. Renewed the following Lay Readers' licenses: Edson P. Gilson, West Rutland; Edward L. Temple, Rutland; John C. Davis, Hydeville; George S. Maynard, Hydeville. Licensed Earle Bradford Edgerton, Middlebury.

Dec. 16. THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT. At Burlington. Celebrated the Holy Communion early at Bishop Hopkins Hall, and preached to the two Schools there at mid-day. Preached at St. Paul's in the evening.

Dec. 18. Tuesday. Received official notice of the resignation of the Rectorship of Zion Church, Manchester Centre, by the Rev. James C. Flanders, and accepted the same. Consented to the election of the Rev. F. M. Garland as Rector of Holy Trinity Church, Swanton.

Dec. 19. Ember Wednesday. Holy Communion in the Chapel at the Hall. Renewed the License of J. Ross Roberts as Lay Reader at Middletown Springs.

Dec. 21. Friday. ST. THOMAS'S DAY. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist at the Hall.

Dec. 22. Ember Saturday. Holy Communion. Licensed the Rev. Clarence W. McCully, of the Diocese of Fredericton, to officiate in the Diocese.

Dec. 23. FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT. Celebrated the Holy Communion early at the Hall; and later held Morning Services. Preached at St. Paul's in the evening.

Dec. 24. CHRISTMAS EVE. Addressed the children of St. Paul's, Burlington, at their Christmas Tree.

Dec. 25. Tuesday. CHRISTMAS DAY. Celebrated the Holy Communion and preached at St. Paul's at mid-day.

Dec. 26. Wednesday. ST. STEPHEN'S DAY. Holy Cummunion at the Hall. Renewed Lay Reader's license of Harvey Emerson Taylor, and licensed Elmer Hoyt Brownson and Edmund Augustus Graves, all under the direction of the Rev. J. C. Carnahan, Arlington.

Dec. 27. Thursday. ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST'S DAY. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist at the Hall.

Dec. 28. Friday. HOLY INNOCENTS' DAY. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist at the Hall. Accepted the transfer of the Rev. Dr. William James Harris, from the Diocese of Massachusetts.

Dec. 30. SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS. At Barre. In the morning in our temporary Chapel Baptized two women; confirmed three women and three men, all married persons; celebrated the Holy Eucharist, giving Christmas Communion to thirty-five persons; and preached. Also catechised the Sunday School. In the afternoon preached to men in the Armoury, at the invitation of the Spencer Rifles. In the evening preached at the Opera House.

December 31. Monday. Dedicated and blessed the new Episcopal Residence at Rock Point, in the presence of divers of the Clergy and Laity, including representatives of the families of both the former Bishops. Received notice of the Deposition (Dec. 28) from the Ministry of Robert Afton Holland, Jr., Presbyter, by the Bishop of Massachusetts.

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January 1. Tuesday. FEAST OF THE CIRCUMCISION. Celebrated the first Eucharist in the Chapel of the Bishop's House, where I trust the Holy Eucharist will ordinarily be celebrated every day, as well as the daily Prayers of the Church, when we are not ministering in the Chapel of the Schools.

January 2. Wednesday. Received notice of the Deposition (Dec. 14, 1894) of Joseph St. John, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Western Michigan, acting for the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese of Michigan, and (Oct. 19) of

John Calvin Gallaudet, Presbyter, by the Bishop of Wyoming and Idaho.

January 4, Friday, and January 5, Saturday. Examination of Candidates for Holy Orders.

January 6. Sunday. EPIPHANY. Celebrated the Holy Communion and preached at Winooski.

January 8. Tuesday. Gave an address at the re-opening of the Boys' School after the Christmas Vacation.

January 11. Friday. Renewed Lay Reader's license of N. Parker Leach, for Highgate. Admitted Benjamin Wellington Paxton a Candidate for Deacon's Orders, and transferred him as such to the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Kentucky, that under his direction he may prepare for work among the people of his own race in the South. Conducted the Communion Class at the Hall.

January 13. FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY. Celebrated early at the Hall. Preached at mid-day at the Institute. Began Evening Service at Winooski and preached.

January 17. Tuesday. Received as Postulants for the Sacred Ministry, Charles Lawrence Wheeler, and Arthur Sanford Lewis. Renewed license of Charles H. Reynolds as Lay Reader at Swanton.

January 20. SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY. Celebrated early at the Institute. Preached at mid-day at the Hall. Held Evening Service at Winooski. and preached.

January 23. Wednesday. Presided at meeting of the Missionary Committee at the Bishop's House. In the evening at St. Albans, made an address on the work of Diocesan Missions with reference to persons outside our Communion. Mr. E. L. Temple also made an address.

January 25. CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist at the Hall.

January 26. Saturday. To Windsor. In the evening met the parochial Guild of the Sisters of Bethany, and addressed them.

January 27. THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EHIPHANY. At St. Paul's, Windsor. Confirmed two persons; preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion in the morning. Addressed the Sunday School. Preached in the evening.

January 29. Tuesday. In Christ Church, Hartford, Conn., preached at the annual Service in connection with the meeting of the Council of the Guild of St. Barnabas for Nurses; the Bishop of Pittsburg, as Chaplain General, presiding. Afterwards made a speech at a meeting of the Churchmen's Club of Connecticut.

January 30. Wednesday. Attended the Council Meeting of the Guild of St. Barnabas at Trinity Church, Hartford.

January 31. Thursday. At Middletown, Conn. Conducted a Day's Retreat for the students at the Berkeley Divinity School.

February 1. Friday. To Boston. Preached to the Woman's Auxiliary of Massachusetts in Trinity Church.

February 2. Saturday. FEAST OF THE PURIFICATION. The Anniversary of my Consecration. Celebrated the Holy Communion at St. Stephen's Church, Boston. In the evening made an address to men at the Mission Room on Washington Street.

February 3. FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY. Celebrated the Holy Communion early at St. Stephen's, and preached there at mid-day. In the afternoon

delivered one of a course of lectures on Great Christian Truths at St. Paul's Church.

February 4. Monday. In New York. Gave an address to the Clergy at the "Quiet Hour" at the Church Missions House. Presided, in the absence of the Bishop of the Diocese, at the annual meeting of the Parochial Missions Society. Later, made an address on Parochial Missions at a meeting of the New York Churchman's Association.

February 5. Tuesday. Addressed a meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of New York, in Ascension Chapel.

February 8. Friday. At St. Paul's School, Concord, N. H. Officiated at the Burial of the Rev. Dr. Henry Augustus Coit, my revered friend, the Church's honored son, the spiritual father of so many of her children.

February 10. SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY. At Rock Point. Celebrated in the Bishop's Chapel. Preached to the Schools in the morning at the Institute. In the afternoon made an address to men on Purity, at the Y. M. C. A. Hall in Burlington.

February 11. Monday. Assisted at the examination of a Deacon preparing for Priest's Orders.

February 12. Tuesday. Renewed licenses of Theophilus Grout and D. J. Morrill as Lay Readers for Newport and North Troy, respectively.

February 14. Thursday. Received notice of the Deposition (February 7) of Dwight Benton, Jr., Deacon, by the Assistant Bishop of Southern Ohio. Received Henry Montesquieu Green as a candidate for Holy Orders, transferred from the Diocese of Massachusetts.

February 16. Saturday. At Pittsburg, Penn., for a few days, at the request of the Bishop. In the evening addressed a gathering of Church Workers in Trinity Church.

February 17. SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY. Celebrated the Holy Communion at the Church of the Ascension. Preached at Calvary Church in the morning ; and at Trinity Church in the evening, for the Laymen's Missionary League.

February 18. Monday. In the evening preached at the meeting of the Southern Convocation of the Diocese, at Crafton.

February 19. Tuesday. Conducted a Quiet Day for Women at Trinity Church.

February 20. Wednesday. Celebrated the Holy Communion in the Bishop's Oratory. Conducted a Quiet Day for Clergy of the Diocese at the Church of the Ascension.

February 24. QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY AND ST. MATTHIAS'S DAY. At Cambridge, Mass. Celebrated the Holy Communion at Christ Church early, and preached there at mid-day. In the evening preached at the Mission Church of St. John the Evangelist, Boston.

February 25. Monday. Celebrated the Holy Communion privately for an infirm person in Cambridge. Conducted the exercises of the Quiet Day, in preparation for Lent, of the Alumni of the Episcopal Theological School.

February 26. SHROVE TUESDAY. Celebrated the Holy Communion in St. John's Chapel. Confirmed a person for the Bishop of the Diocese, in Christ Church, Cambridge, after Morning Prayer. Returned to Vermont at night for Lent.

February 27. ASH WEDNESDAY. Celebrated in the Bishop's Chapel. Officiated at the forenoon service for the Schools at Bishop Hopkins Hall. In the evening began a course of Lenten Sermons at St. Luke's Church, St. Albans.

February 28. Thursday. Celebrated at St. Albans. Began a course of Instructions in the Chapel of Bishop Hopkins Hall.

March 1. Friday. Accepted the Letter Dimissory from the Diocese of New Hampshire of the Rev. Frederick M. Garland, who becomes Rector of the Parish of the Holy Trinity, Swanton. In the evening, preached the first of a course of Lenten Sermons at St. Paul's, Burlington.

March 3. FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT. At St. Paul's Vergennes. Celebrated the Holy Communion early. Preached at mid-day. Catechised the Sunday School. In the evening confirmed five candidates presented by the Rector of the Parish, and nine by the Rector of St. Stephen's, Middlebury; and preached. The Rev. Dr. W. M. Irish from Essex, in the Diocese of Albany, was with us for the Evening Service.

March 5. Tuesday. In the evening began Lenten Instructions in the Chapel of the Institute.

March 6. Ember Wednesday. Preached at St. Albans.

March 7. Thursday. Celebrated at St. Albans. Instruction at Bishop Hopkins Hall.

March 8. Ember Friday. Preached at St. Paul's, Burlington.

March 10. SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT. Visitation of Trinity Church, Shelburne. Confirmed two candidates, preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion.

March 12. Tuesday. Instruction in the Chapel at the Hall.

March 13. Wednesday. Preached at St. Albans.

March 14. Thursday. Celebrated at St. Albans. Instruction in the Chapel of the Institute.

March 15. Friday. Gave my canonical consent to the Consecration of the Rev. John Hazen White to be Bishop of Indiana. Preached at St. Paul's.

March 16. Saturday. To Brandon. Conference with the Vestry in the evening.

March 17. THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT. Celebrated the Holy Communion at St. Thomas's Church early. Confirmed three candidates at mid-day and preached. Preached at the afternoon Service at Forestdale. In the evening preached in the Town Hall at Brandon.

March 18. Monday. Celebrated the Holy Communion at Brandon before returning to Burlington.

March 19. Tuesday. Instruction in the Chapel of the Institute.

March 20. Wednesday. Preached at St. Albans.

March 21. Thursday. Celebrated at St. Albans. Instruction in the Chapel of the Hall.

March 22. Friday. Presided at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Trustees of the Vermont Episcopal Institute. Preached at St. Paul's.

March 23. Saturday. To Rutland. Met the Vestry of Trinity Church in the evening.

March 24. FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT. In the morning confirmed two persons presented by the General Missionary, preached, and celebrated the Holy Communion at Grace Church, West Rutland. In the afternoon, accompanied by Dr. Harris, held Service and preached in the Union Church at Proctor. In the evening, at Trinity Church, Rutland, confirmed eighteen candidates, and preached.

March 25. Monday. ANNUNCIATION B. V. M. Celebrated the Holy Communion early at Trinity Church. Saw several persons for individual counsel.

March 26. Tuesday. Instruction in the Chapel of the Institute.

March 27. Wednesday. Preached at St. Albans.

March 28. Thursday. Celebrated at St. Albans. Instruction in the Chapel of the Hall.

March 29. Friday. Preached at St. Paul's, Burlington.

March 31. FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT. At Swanton. Celebrated the Holy Communion in Holy Trinity Church, early; preached in the forenoon; catechised at Evening Prayer in the afternoon. In the evening preached in the Opera House.

April 2. Tuesday. Finished course of Lenten Instructions at the Institute. Received notice of the Deposition (Feb. 18) of David Vaughan Gwilym, Presbyter, by the Bishop of New York, acting for the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese of Long Island.

April 3. Wednesday. Confirmed fourteen candidates at St. Luke's Church, St. Albans, and finished my course of Lenten Sermons there.

April 4. Thursday. Celebrated the Holy Communion at St. Albans early, giving their First Communion to the newly Confirmed. Finished course of Lenten Instructions in the Chapel of Bishop Hopkins Hall.

April 5. Friday. Went to Charlotte to confirm a sick man and his wife.

April 7. PALM SUNDAY. At St. Johnsbury for Holy Week. Celebrated at 7.30 in St. Andrew's Church. Preached

at Morning and Afternoon Service, and catechised the Sunday School. In the evening held Service and preached at Lyndonville, in the Methodist Church, which was kindly loaned to us.

April 8. MONDAY BEFORE EASTER. Celebrated at seven. Morning Prayer at ten. Confirmed two candidates from Christ Church, Island Pond, presented by their father, the Rector. Meditation in the afternoon at 4.30. Evening Prayer and Sermon at 7.30.

April 9. TUESDAY BEFORE EASTER. Services as on Monday, reversing the hours for Holy Communion and Morning Prayer. Addressed the Candidates for Confirmation after the Evening Service.

April 10. WEDNESDAY BEFORE EASTER. Services as on Monday.

April 11. MAUNDY THURSDAY. Services as on Tuesday. Confirmed a sick person in private, and eight others in the Church. Met the Vestry for conference.

April 12. GOOD FRIDAY. Morning Prayer at seven. Litany and Altar Service at ten. Conducted the Devotions of the Three Hours from twelve to three. Drove to Lyndonville for Service in the evening.

April 13. EASTER EVEN. Celebrated at Lyndonville at seven, and gave Easter Communion to fifteen of our people. Concluded the Holy Week Services at St. Johnsbury with a Meditation on our Lord's Burial, after Morning Prayer at ten. To Cambridge Boro for the evening. Held Service (with Mr. Hanger) and preached in the Congregational Church.

April 14. EASTER DAY. Celebrated the Holy Sacrament in our little Chapel at Cambridge Boro, at seven

o'clock, with half a dozen communicants. Drove to Underhill for mid-day Service,eleven miles through a pouring rain and with dangerous roads. Celebrated and preached in Calvary Church. Then administered the Holy Sacrament to a sick man, Mr. Bliss, the Warden of the Church. In the evening held Service and preached in the Academy Hall at Jericho, and confirmed a candidate. The heavy rain and bad state of the roads greatly diminished the congregations at all the Stations.

April 15. EASTER MONDAY. Celebrated in the Academy Hall at Jericho (six communicants), and afterwards in private for a sick man. Returned to Rock Point, where on this and the two following days we had the examination of four candidates for Holy Orders.

April 19. Friday. Confirmed a candidate after Evening Prayer at St. Paul's, Burlington.

April 20. Saturday. To Chester. Met the Vestry of St. Luke's, for conference in the evening.

April 21. Celebrated the Holy Communion at 7.30 in St. Luke's. Confirmed three candidates at mid-day and preached. Catechised the Sunday School. In the afternoon drove to Proctorsville for Service. Confirmed four persons and preached. In the evening preached at St. Luke's.

April 22. Monday. To Springfield. Consultation with the Warden about the affairs of St. Mark's Mission. In the evening held Service in the Town Hall, and preached. The Rev. Victor Haughton from Charlestown, N. H., was with me. His term of service at Springfield now ends, as he cannot give the time and strength away from his own parish.

April 23. Tuesday. Confirmation (one candidate), and Holy Communion (fourteen communicants) at 7.30 in

Golden Cross Hall. To White River Junction. Confirmed nine candidates and preached after evening Prayer.

April 24. Wednesday. Celebrated the Holy Communion at St. Paul's early, and gave First Communion to the newly Confirmed. To Bellows Falls. Baptized an adult, confirmed him and three others, and preached at Evening Service in Immanuel Church. Conference with the vestry. Received notice of the Deposition (April 14) of Bonaventura de Souza e Oliveira, Deacon, by the Bishop of West Virginia, in charge of the Mission in Brazil.

April 25. ST. MARK THE EVANGELIST'S DAY. Celebrated the Holy Communion in Immanuel Church at 7.30, and baptized an infant, the Rector's son. Visited the Vermont Academy at Saxton's River at the invitation of the Principal, and made an address to the scholars in the evening.

April 26. Friday. At the Vermont Academy. Addressed the School at morning prayers. To Brattleboro. Began a course of Sermons in the Town Hall, in response to a memorial of ministers and citizens. Accepted as a Postulant Daniel Hugh Verder, of Rutland.

April 27. Saturday. Celebrated in St. Michael's Church. Began a course of Scripture Expositions, after Evening Prayer at four, on the Appearances of the Risen Lord. Preached in the Town Hall at Night.

April 28. SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER. Celebrated at St. Michael's at 7.30. Confirmed ten candidates and preached in the forenoon. Catechised the Sunday School. Afternoon Service at Christ Church, Guilford. Baptized an infant, and preached. Conference with the Warden about ministrations at Guilford. In the evening preached in Town Hall.

April 29. Monday. Services through the week until Friday night as on Saturday. Conference with the Vestry.

April 30. Tuesday. Confirmed an aged and infirm person in private.

May 1. Wednesday. SS. PHILIP AND JAMES. Gave First Communion to those Confirmed on Sunday.

May 4. Saturday. Concluded the Services at Brattleboro, with the Celebration of the Holy Eucharist in St. Michael's Church at seven. Received notice of the Deposition (April 26) of William A. Newbold, Priest, by the Bishop of New York.

May 5. THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER. At St. Paul's School, Concord, N. H. Celebrated the Holy Communion, preached, and addressed the Missionary Society.

May 7. Tuesday. Returned to Rock Point. Received acceptance of Letter Dimissory given to the Rev. Edward P. Lee to the Diocese of Massachusetts. Licensed as Lay Readers Joshua Hobart Webb, Bellows Falls, and John H. Whittemore, Sheldon.

May 8. Wednesday. Presided at a meeting of the Missionary Committee.

May 11. Saturday. To Richford in time for Evening Prayer at St. Ann's. Conference with the officers of the Mission.

May 12. FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER. St. Ann's, Richford. Celebrated the Holy Communion at 7.30. Confirmed six persons and preached at 11. Catechised the children at 4. Preached at Evening Service at 7.30.

May 13. Monday. In the afternoon at Union Church, Montgomery, confirmed four persons, and preached. Con-

ference with the Vestry. In the evening at Calvary Church, East Berkshire, preached. Conference with the Vestry.

May 14. Tuesday Celebrated the Holy Communion at East Berkshire at seven. Preached at Christ Church, Enosburgh Centre in the afternoon. Conference with the Vestry. In the evening at St. Matthew's Church, Enosburgh Falls. Confirmed seven persons, and preached. Conference with the Vestry. The Rev. Canon Davidson and Mr. Rollit, from the Diocese of Montreal, assisted at the Evening Service.

May 15. Wednesday. Celebrated the Holy Communion at Enosburgh Falls. Licensed as Lay Readers Caleb R. Brewer (Enosburgh) and Harry Augustus Crampton (Enosburgh Falls). Returned home.

May 16. Thursday. Conference with the Vestry at Winooski about the appointment of a resident Clergyman.

May 18. Saturday. To Fairfield. Service in Trinity Church in the afternoon. Preached. Thence, with Rev. Mr. Wilkins, to Highgate.

May 19. ROGATION SUNDAY. In the morning at St. John's, Highgate. Celebrated the Holy Communion early, and later baptized a child, confirmed three persons, and preached at Morning Prayer. Drove to Sheldon for Afternoon Service at Grace Church. Preached. Conference with the Vestry.

May 20. ROGATION MONDAY. Celebrated the Holy Communion early in Grace Church, Sheldon, before returning to Burlington.

May 22. ROGATION WEDNESDAY. Received acceptance of Letter Dimissory given to the Rev. Thomas Bell to the Missionary Jurisdiction of Western Colorado.

May 23. ASCENSION DAY. Celebrated the Holy Communion early at the Hall. Preached at mid-day to the two Schools in the Chapel of the Institute, and in the evening in St. Paul's Church.

May 25. Saturday. To Poultney, to visit the Congregation under Mr. Randall's care.

May 26. SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY. At Poultney. Celebrated Holy Communion early at St. John's Church. Preached at mid-day at Trinity Church, the Rector celebrating. Catechised the Sunday School. Preached in the afternoon at St. John's, and in the evening at Trinity. Conference with the Vestry.

May 27. Monday. Drove to Wells for afternoon Service, and preached to the little company. Comferred with Mr. Hopson, the sole officer of this decayed parish, about its status and property. Drove on to Middletown Springs for evening service in the Baptist Church, which was loaned to us. Preached. Accepted the Letters Dimissory of the Rev. Clarence Watts McCully from the Bishop of Fredericton.

May 28. Tuesday. At Middletown Springs Celebrated the Holy Communion early, and baptized two children in the Baptist Church. The few faithful people are proposing to build a small Chapel for themselves. At present they have service conducted by a resident Lay Reader every Sunday, but clerical ministrations only when there is a fifth Sunday in the month. Returned to Poultney for evening service. Confirmed seven candidates, and preached.

May 29. Wednesday. Drove to Wallingford from Rutland with Mr. Niles. Service in the Congregational Church. Preached to a good congregation.

May 30. Thursday. Celebrated in the Chapel of the Congregational Church at Wallingford. Ten Communicants.

June 1. Saturday. WHITSUN EVE. To Hydeville, to visit the Congregations under Mr. Anketell's care, at St. Luke's, Fair Haven. Baptized an adult and her four children, confirmed three persons, and preached at Evening Service. Afterwards addressed the Woman's Auxiliary.

June 2. WHITSUNDAY. Celebrated the Holy Communion early at St. James's, Hydeville (28 communicants). Preached at the mid-day Celebration at Fair Haven. Catechised the Sunday School. In the afternoon confirmed seven candidates at Castleton and preached. Preached at Hydeville in the evening. Conference with the Vestry.

June 3. Monday. WHITSUN WEEK. Celebrated Holy Communion in the Chapel at Castleton, 27 comnicants including those confirmed yesterday. In the evening preached at Trinity Church, Rutland.

June 4. Tuesday. WHITSUN WEEK. Celebrated in Trinity Church, Rutland, before returning to Burlington.

June 7 and 8. Ember Friday and Saturday. Conducted Devotional Exercises in preparation, proximate or remote, for Ordination for two Deacons and two Candidates, in the Chapel of the Bishop's Home. Received notice of the Deposition (June 1st) of Joseph S. Jenckes, LL. D., Priest, by the Bishop of Indiana.

June 9. TRINITY SUNDAY. Ordained to the Priesthood, the Reverend Allan Danvers Brown in St. Paul's Church, Burlington, Dr. Bliss and Mr. Johnson assisting, and the latter preaching the sermon. In the evening preached to the two Schools in the Chapel at the Hall

June 11. *Tuesday.* ST. BARNABAS' DAY. Celebrated at the Institute early. At mid-day preached at the Closing service of the Boys' School, and afterward distributed the prizes. Licensed Richard H. Lane as Lay Reader for Proctorsville.

June 12. Wednesday. Celebrated early at the Hall, and at mid-day preached at the Closing Service of the Girls' School, and afterward presided at the distribution of prizes.

June 13. Thursday. Visited Georgia and Milton. Preached at service in each Church. No Confirmations. Licensed Homer Abiel Flint as Lay Reader at Northfield. Received notification of the restoration to the priesthood (May 14, 1895) of Quincy Ewing (deposed May 4, 1894), by the Bishop of Louisiana.

June 16. FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Confirmed 27 candidates, preached, and celebrated Holy Communion at St. Paul's, Burlington, in the morning. In the evening confirmed 5 at Trinity Mission, Winooski, and preached on the trust committed to the priest (1 Tim. iv, 20), the Rev. C. W. McCully succeeding the Rev. George Bliss in the charge of this Mission.

June 18. Tuesday. Went to Montpelier for the Diocesan Convention. Presided at meetings of the Vermont Episcopal Institute, the Board of Land Agents, and the Missionary Committee. Received Richard H. Lane as a Candidate for Deacon's Orders.

Confirmations in the different Parishes and Missions. *

Barre	6
Bellows Falls	4
Bethel	4
Royalton	2
East Berkshire	1
Montgomery (2)	6
Brandon (2)	14
Forestdale	1
Brattleboro	11
Burlington (2)	28
Chester (2)	5
Proctorsville *	4
Enosburgh Falls	7
Highgate	3
Hydeville (Castleton)	7
Fair Haven	3
Island Pond (2)	6
Jericho (2)	4
Middlebury (2)	18
Northfield	5
Poultney	7
Randolph	6
West Randolph	2
Richford	6
Rutland (2)	25
West Rutland	2
St. Albans (2)	32
St. Johnsbury	9

* This list is in alphabetical order save where a second place is joined with a parish making one cure.

(2) The Confirmations are from Convention to Convention, the period covered by the Bishop's report.

Shelburne	2
Charlotte	2
Springfield	1
Vergennes	5
White River Junction	9
Windsor	2
Winooski	16
Woodstock	3
Vermont Episcopal Institute	1
Bishop Hopkins Hall	1
Bennington	2
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Divine service being concluded, the Convention resumed business.

On motion of Mr. Dewey of Montpelier,

Resolved, That all Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not canonically entitled to seats in this Convention, all Clergymen of the Church of England, all Candidates for Holy Orders, the Treasurer of the Board of Land Agents, Members of the Standing Committee, the Trustees of the Diocese and Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, here present, be and hereby are invited to seats in the Convention.

The Rev. Shepherd H. Alling, of the Diocese of Connecticut; the Rev. Paul F. Swett of the Diocese of Michigan; the Rev. W. T. Forsythe of the Diocese of Quebec; Edson P. Gilson, Treasurer of Trustees of the Diocese; Wm. T. Dewey, Treasurer of the Board of Land Agents, Fred C. Kennedy, Trustee of Episcopal Fund, appeared and took seats in the Convention in accordance with the resolution.

The Convention proceeded to ballot for Secretary, the Rev. Carnahan and Mr. Parker being appointed Tellers. Upon canvassing the votes, Mr. Thomas H. Canfield of Burlington, was found to have received a majority of all the votes cast, and was declared to be elected Secretary of the Convention.

The Secretary announced that he appointed Mr. Fred E. Smith of Montpelier, Assistant Secretary.

The President then announced the following

STANDING COMMITTEES OF CONVENTION.

On Finance—Messrs. Burdett, Woodfin and Deming.

On Education—The Rev. Messrs. E. B. Smith, George L. Richardson, and James O. Davis, and Messrs. James H. Williams and Elias Lyman.

On Parochial Reports—The Rev. Messrs. Johnson and George Y. Bliss.

On Miscellaneous Business—Rev. Dr. White, Messrs. Ross and Wilson.

On Canons—The Rev. Francis W. Smith, the Rev. Dr. Bliss, Rev. Mr. Goddard, and Messrs. Briggs and Haskins.

On the Episcopal Fund—Messrs. Jones, Childs and Wells.

The Standing Committee, through their Secretary, the Rev. Dr. Flanders, submitted their report, which was read, accepted and ordered to be printed in the Journal. [C.]

The Rev. Mr. Johnson submitted the following amendment to the Constitution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

(1) *Resolved*, That this 105th Convention of the Diocese do approve the following amendment of Article 7, of the Diocesan Constitution, and order the same to be laid before the next Annual Convention for final action, agreeably to Article 9 of said Constitution.

Strike out from lines 6, 7, and 8 of Article 7 of the Constitution (p. 8, ed. of 1885, or p. 246 of the Journal of 1893) the following words, namely:

"At every Convention the lay delegates shall report to the Bishop the temporal condition of their respective Parishes, stating their income, their debts, and the amount of their Minister's salary,"

and insert instead thereof as follows:

"Reports of the condition of every Parish and Mission in the Diocese shall be made to the Bishop at least two weeks before each Annual Convention by the respective Rectors (or Ministers) and Church Wardens thereof, which reports shall include a statement of the income of the Parish, its debts,

and the amount of the Minister's salary, together with such other particulars as may be defined by Canon or required by the Bishop."

The Rev. Mr. Johnson submitted the following amendments to the Canons which were read and referred to the Committee on Canons:

(2) *Resolved*, That Canon 9 Title II [ed. of 1885, p. 23, 24, or Journal of 1893, p. 261, 262] be repealed and the following substituted for it:

CANON IX.

Of Parish registers, reports, and assessments.

[§ 1, is to stand as it is now.] § 2, Reports.

"At least two weeks before each Annual Convention of the Diocese, the Rector or Minister and Church Wardens of every Parish or Mission shall report to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Standing Committee, concerning the state of the Parish on the first day of May next before the Convention, stating whatever in their judgment may throw light on the state of the Church, and, in particular giving the details required by the Canons of the General Convention (Digest of 1892, Title I, Canon 20] and such other matters as may at the discretion of the Bishop be specified in a blank form of report to be submitted to them on or before April 1st, by the Secretary of the Convention."

"These reports, or such parts or abstracts of them as the Bishop directs, may be read in convention or printed as an appendix to the Journal."

§ 3. "The reports specified in § 2 shall be taken as the basis of all assessments or apportionment of offerings expected from the several congregations, whether made by the convention or any board or committee of the Diocese, and all assessments thus made, which shall remain unpaid, shall be counted in the next report as a part of the indebtedness of

the congregation, and it shall be the duty of the reporting officers to give the reason for the non-payment thereof."

(3) *Resolved*, That Section 2 of Canon 2 of Title I be amended as follows:

Strike out the last three lines [lines 7, 8, 9, p. 12, ed. of 1885, or Journal of 1893, p. 250] and insert the following:

"The Treasurer's annual reports shall be made for the twelve months ending on the first day of May next before the Convention."

(4) *Resolved*, That Canon 10 of Title I be amended as follows:

In the last line but one [line 10, p. 15, ed. of 1885, or Journal of 1893, p. 253] strike out the three words "last Easter Monday" and insert the words "first day of May next" so that the sentence shall read, "These reports shall be for the year preceding the first day of May next before the Convention."

(5) *Resolved*, That Section 8, Canon 1, Title III, [p. 26, ed. of 1885, or Journal of 1893, p. 264] be amended as follows:

In line three strike out the words the "last Easter Monday" and insert the words "first day of May."

(6) *Resolved*, That Section 3 of Canon 7 of Title II, be amended as follows:

Strike out from the Secretary's certificate at the end of the section [line 27, p. 21, ed. of 1885, or Journal of 1893, p. 259] the words and blanks "certify that —— Church has —— male Communicants. And I further," so that it shall read "I hereby certify that at a meeting of the Vestry," [etc., the rest as now,] and add the following words: "These delegates were elected in conformity with the provisions of § 2 of Canon I, the number of male Communicants belonging to the Parish being certified to the Easter meeting by the Rector [or, if there be no Rector, by the Senior Warden] as ——."

On motion of Rev. Mr. Weeks :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by the Chair, to draft resolutions as to that portion of the Bishop's address which treated of the representation of feeble Parishes and Mission Stations in this Convention. Said resolutions to be presented to the Convention at the afternoon sessions and then as passed upon to be referred to the Committee on Canons.

The President appointed as such Committee : Rev. Mr. Weeks, Rev. Dr. Harris and Mr. Chandler.

On motion of Mr. Dewey, of Montpelier, the Convention proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee, the Rev. Mr. Richardson and Mr. John Locke being appointed Tellers. The report of the Tellers, after canvassing the votes, was announced, and the following persons were found to have received a majority of the ballots, and were declared to be duly elected as the Standing Committee of the Diocese for the ensuing year :

The Rev. JOSHUA ISHAM BLISS, D. D.
The REV. ALONZO B. FLANDERS, D. D.
The Rev. FRANCIS W. SMITH.
Mr. CYRUS A. BOOTH.
Mr. HENRY WELLS.
Mr. GEORGE R. BOTTUM.

Mr. Parker submitted the following amendment to the Canons, which was read and referred to the Committee on Canons. Amend Canon 7, Title II, Section 10, so as to read as follows :

" A meeting of the vestry *may* be called at any time by the Rector, and he *shall* call a meeting at the request of any two members. In the absence of the Rector, or if there be none, the Senior Warden shall call the meeting.

" In any case at least three days' notice of the meeting shall be given in writing to all members."

On motion of Mr. Bottum the Convention proceeded to the election of Deputies to the General Convention, the Rev. James C. Flanders and Rev. Allan D. Brown acting as tellers of the clerical vote, and Messrs. Bishop and Childs as tellers of the lay vote.

The following persons were nominated :

For Clerical Deputies—The Rev. J. Isham Bliss, D. D., E. N. Goddard, C. M. Niles, A. B. Flanders, D. D., Francis W. Smith, W. H. Collins, Wm. F. Weeks.

For Lay Deputies—George F. Edmunds, Thos. H. Canfield, Edward L. Temple, Charles E. Parker, Myron W. Bailey.

Upon counting and canvassing the votes after several ballots according to Canon, the following were found to have received a majority of the votes of both orders, and were declared to be duly elected :

CLERICAL DEPUTIES.

The Rev. JOSHUA ISHAM BLISS, D. D.
The Rev. ALONZO B. FLANDERS, D. D.
The Rev. EDWARD N. GODDARD.
The Rev. WM. H. COLLINS.

LAY DEPUTIES.

Mr. GEORGE F. EDMUNDS.
Mr. THOMAS H. CANFIELD.
Mr. EDWARD L. TEMPLE.
Mr. MYRON W. BAILEY.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Edmund B. Smith,

Resolved, That the Convention procure before the next Annual Convention two ballot boxes, one for the clerical and one for the lay vote, to be used at all elections requiring the use of ballots.

On motion of Mr. Dewey, of Montpelier, the following persons were elected Auditors of Trust Funds for the year ensuing:

Mr. GEORGE R. BOTTUM.
Mr. JAMES B. JONES.
Mr. DANIEL W. ROBINSON.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Lewis the Convention adjourned to 3 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, June 19, 3 P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The Rev. Mr. Weeks from the Committee on that portion of the Bishop's Address relating to the representation of Missions, presented the following report, which was read and referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, That Sec. 3, of Title II, of Canon 2, be amended so as to read as follows: "Such Mission may adopt Articles of Association to be signed by all communicants entitled to vote, and upon compliance with the requirements of Article 6, of the Constitution, may be represented in Convention agreeably to the provisions of Sec. 2, Canon 1, Title I.

Resolved, That Sec. 2, Canon 1, Title I, be amended after the words "Seven Delegates" in third line from bottom of second paragraph there be added "and every Mission which has been organized for one year and has at least three male communicants, shall be entitled to send one delegate." Also in first line of second paragraph after word Parish, add "or Mission."

The Rev. Mr. Smith, Chairman of the Committee on Canons, reported that they had had under consideration the several amendments to the Constitution and Canons presented by the Rev. Mr. Johnson in the morning, and recommended the adoption of them, which was approved by the Convention.

The Committee further reported, that they had had under consideration the amendment submitted by Mr. Parker to Canon 7, Title II, Sec. 10, and report that it is inexpedient to act upon it at the present time, and recommend that its

further consideration be postponed, which was agreed to by the Convention.

The Treasurer of the Diocese then submitted his reports, which were read, accepted and ordered to be printed in the Journal. [L. and M.]

The Trustees of the Diocese, through their Treasurer, Mr. E. P. Gilson, presented their report, which was read, accepted and ordered to be printed in the Journal. [O.]

On motion of Mr. Dewey, of Montpelier :

Resolved, That the grateful acknowledgments of the Convention are due and are hereby tendered to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wells and Mr. Frederick H. Wells of Burlington, for their generous contribution towards the reconstruction of the Episcopal Residence at Rock Point.

The Rev. Mr. Collins, Clerical Commissioner of the American Church Building Fund Commission, reported that two Parishes had contributed to that fund during the past year —Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls, $8.68; and St. Paul's Church, Burlington, $20.00. Total, $28.68.

The Convention proceeded to the election of Treasurer. Mr. Edward L. Temple of Rutland, being the only name presented, the Secretary by vote of Convention was authorized to cast the ballot for Mr. Temple, and he was declared to be unanimously elected.

On motion of Mr. Dewey, of Montpelier :

Resolved, That the Convention proceed to elect a Trustee of the Diocese of Vermont, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term for which Fred E. Smith was elected.

Mr. Dewey nominated Mr. Fred E. Smith, and no other name being presented, the Secretary was authorized by the Convention to cast its vote for Mr. Smith, and he was declared to be elected to serve for seven years.

The Trustees of the fund for the support of the Bishop of the Diocese of Vermont, through their Treasurer, Mr. Henry

L. Ward, presented their report, which was read, accepted and ordered to be printed in the Journal. [G.]

The Rev. F. W. Smith, Registrar of the Convention, reported

That during the last year the more valuable documents in his possession have been catalogued and placed in a fireproof depository at the Episcopal Residence at Rock Point; and that other books and papers collected by former Registrars, and of much historical value, will in due time by the permission of the Bishop, be placed on the shelves of the Bishop's Library.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Bliss, the Rev. Francis W. Smith was elected Registrar of the Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Smith of Vergennes, in behalf of the Committee on Education, submitted their report, which was read, received and ordered to be printed in the Journal. [P.]

The President presented the Report with respect to the Vermont Episcopal Institute, which was read, accepted and ordered to be printed in the Journal. [D.]

The President also reported that the Trustees of the Vermont Episcopal Institute had nominated Mr. Edward L. Temple of Rutland as a Trustee of said Institute, which nomination was approved by the Convention.

The President laid before the Convention the following communication from the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention :

THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF
THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Right Reverend Sir :

In compliance with the requirements of Title III, Canon 1, Section iii, of the Digest, I would hereby give particular

notice that the following alteration of the Constitution of the Church is proposed ; said alteration having been adopted by the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, held in the city of Baltimore, Maryland, in October, A. D. 1892, to-wit :

That to the 5th Article of the Constitution be added a clause in these words :

The General Convention may accept a cession of a part of the Territorial Jurisdiction of a Diocese, when the Bishop and Convention of such Diocese shall propose such cession, and three-fourths of the Parishes in the ceded territory, and also the same proportion of the Parishes within the remaining territory, shall consent thereto.

In testimony whereof, I have this day hereunto affixed my name.

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS,
Sec'y of the House of Deputies.

Concord, Mass., Feb. 1, A. D. 1895.

The reports of Mr. Chapman, Treasurer of the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Aged and Infirm Clergymen, and also of the Alonzo Jackman Fund for the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, were presented and read. They were accepted and ordered to be printed in the Journal. [E. and F.]

Mr. Henry L. Ward presented the following resolutions relative to the investment of trust funds, which on motion of the Rev. Mr. Randall was referred to a committee to report to-morrow :

Resolved, That the Convention recommend that hereafter all investments of Diocesan Trust Funds be made within the limits prescribed by the laws of the State of Vermont regarding the investments of Savings Banks and Trust Companies, and that loans from such funds to any trustee or officer of the Diocese or of any Convention of the Diocese be prohibited.

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Convention that all future reports of the Treasurer of the Trustees of Diocesan funds to the Trustees of such funds or through them to the Convention of the Diocese, should state explicitly the character of each investment and the name of each individual borrower and a description of the security accompanying each loan.

The President appointed as a committee to consider the above resolutions,

The Rev. Mr. Randall and Messrs. Robinson and Stone of Swanton.

The Committee on Finance submitted its report, which on motion of Mr. Temple was accepted and adopted, and assessments ordered as recommended by the Committee, payable to the Treasurer before September 1st, 1895.

The assessments for the current year are as follows:

St. James', Arlington,	$30 00
St. Peter's, Bennington,	42 00
Christ, Bethel,	12 00
Immanuel, Bellows Falls,	67 50
Good Shepherd, Barre,	6 00
St. Thomas's, Brandon,	24 00
St. Michael's, Brattleboro,	37 50
St. Paul's, Burlington,	140 00
St. Luke's, Chester,	18 00
Christ, Enosburgh,	4 50
St. Matthew's, Enosburgh Falls,	15 00
St. Luke's Fair Haven,	10 00
Christ, Fairfax,	4 50
St. James's, Hydeville,	5 00
Christ, Island Pond,	9 00
Zion, Manchester Centre,	21 00
St. Stephen's, Middlebury,	35 00
Union, Montgomery,	6 00
Christ, Montpelier,	75 00

St. Mark's, Newport,	$ 6 00
St. Mary's, Northfield,	15 00
St. Augustine's, North Troy,	5 00
St. John's, Poultney,	3 00
Grace, Randolph,	6 00
St. Ann's, Richford,	4 50
St. Paul's, Royalton,	5 00
Trinity, Rutland,	125 00
Grace, Sheldon,	5 00
Trinity, Shelburne,	15 00
St. Luke's, St. Albans.	100 00
St. Andrew's, St. Johnsbury,	42 00
Holy Trinity, Swanton,	6 00
St. Paul's, Vergennes,	24 00
St. John's, West Randolph,	10 00
St. Paul's, White River Junction,	9 00
St. Paul's, Windsor,	15 00
Trinity, Winooski,	5 00
St. James's, Woodstock,	15 00
	$1,004 50

The undersigned hereto, certify that they have examined the respective accounts of the Treasurer of the Diocese and find the same to be correct and sustained by proper vouchers.

JESSE BURDETT,
JOHN N. WOODFIN,
MARTIN H. DEMING,
} Committee on Finance.

The Committee recommended that an abatement be made of $6.00 of the assessment of the Parish of Swanton last year, being an error in entering the assessment, which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Temple:

Resolved, That $175 be paid by the Treasurer to the Bishop and Clerical Deputies towards defraying their expenses to the General Convention at Minneapolis in October next.

The Committee on the Episcopal Fund submitted the following report, which was accepted and adopted and the following assessments upon the Parishes for the Bishop's salary were ordered, payable to the Treasurer of the Diocese before the first day of January, 1896:

St. Peter's, Bennington,	$20 00
Immanuel, Bellows Falls,	50 00
Christ Church, Bethel,	5 00
Calvary, Berkshire,	5 00
St. Thomas's, Brandon,	10 00
St. Michael's, Brattleboro,	15 00
St. Luke's, Chester,	10 00
St. Mathew's, Enosburgh Falls,	5 00
Christ Church, Guilford,	2 00
St. James's, Hydeville,	4 00
St. Stephen's, Middlebury,	5 00
Union, Montgomery,	4 00
St. John's, Poultney,	5 00
Grace, Randolph.	5 00
St. John's, West Randolph,	5 00
St. Paul's, Royalton,	3 00
Grace, West Rutland,	3 00
St. Andrews, St. Johnsbury,	12 00
St. Paul's, Wells,	2 00
St. James's, Woodstock,	15 00
Total,	$185 00

JAMES B. JONES,
FRED W. CHILDS, } Committee.
HENRY WELLS,

Montpelier, Vt., June 6, 1895.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Lewis, the Convention adjourned to 7.30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, 7.30 P. M.

The Convention was called to order by the President, when the Missionary Committee, through their Secretary, the Rev. Mr. Atwell, presented their report, which was read and ordered to be printed in the Journal. [H.]

The Treasurer, Mr. E. L. Temple, presented his reports, which were likewise ordered to be printed in the Journal. [I. J. K.]

The Committee recommended the following Resolutions which were adopted:

Resolved, That the Missionary Committee be authorized to apportion among the Parishes and Missions such sums for the ensuing year as will, with other sources of income in its hands, maintain the present schedule of appropriations and also such new work as is outlined in its report.

Resolved, That the Woman's Auxiliary be requested to contribute, as in the past, toward the support of the Diocesan Missionary.

The President called the attention of the Convention to the importance of the Missionary work in the Diocese, and stating that the resolutions were open to discussion, which was participated in by the Rev. Mr. Atwell, the Rev. Mr. Appleton, Rev. Mr. Blunt, of Middlebury, Rev. Mr. Weeks, Rev. Mr. Davis, Rev. Mr. Johnson, Rev. Mr. Niles, Rev. Mr. Richardson of St. Peter's Church, Bennington, pledging $20 more than the appropriation, after which the resolutions presented by the Committee, were adopted.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of the Missionary Committee, the Rev. Mr. Appleton and Mr. Cowell being appointed tellers.

The following nominations were made: The Revs. W. F. Weeks, B. W. Atwell, C. M. Niles, G. L. Richardson, and Messrs. C. E. Parker, E. L. Temple. H. J. Shanley.

The following, upon ballot, were declared elected :

REV. WILLIAM F. WEEKS,
REV. BENJ. W. ATWELL,
REV. CHARLES M. NILES,
MR. CHARLES E. PARKER,
MR. EDWARD L. TEMPLE,
MR. HOBART J. SHANLEY.

The Rev. Wm. J. Harris, D. D., Diocesan Missionary, read the report made by him to the Bishop and made an address on the subject of Missions in the Diocese.

The Rev. F. W. Smith, Chairman of the Committee on Canons, reported that the amendments proposed by Rev. Mr. Weeks with reference to the representation of Missions was considered by the Committee inconsistent with the Constitution, and as a substitute moved an amendment to Canon 2, Title III, Sec. 3, which was seconded by the Rev. Mr. Weeks and the Rev. Dr. Harris.

After further discussion, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Davis,

Resolved, That the whole matter be recommitted to the Committee on Canons with the request that they consider it and also an amendment to Article VI of the Constitution, and report to-morrow morning.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Weeks, adjourned to 8:30 Thursday morning.

SECOND DAY.

After celebration of the Holy Communion by the Bishop at 7 o'clock Thursday, June 7, 1894, the Convention met pursuant to adjournment at 8:30 A. M.

Morning Prayer was said by the Bishop assisted by the Rev. Mr. Davis, and Lessons being read by the Rev. Mr. Graves.

Divine service being concluded, the President took the chair and the Convention proceeded with the unfinished business.

The Convention proceeded to the election of Supplemental Deputies to the General Convention, the Rev. Messrs. Carnahan and Garland were appointed Tellers of the Clerical Vote, and Messrs. Bishop and Childs, Tellers of the Lay Vote.

Mr. Dewey of Montpelier nominated the following persons, who, upon canvassing and counting the votes according to Canon were found to have received a majority of votes cast and were declared to be elected.

CLERICAL.

The Rev. Francis W. Smith,
The Rev. William F. Weeks,
The Rev. Benj. W. Atwell,
The Rev. Charles M. Niles.

LAY.

Mr. Fred E. Smith,
Mr. Henry Wells,
Mr. Charles E. Parker,
Mr. Frederick W. Childs.

The President then reported that pursuant to a resolution passed at the last Convention, he had forwarded to the "Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts," the names of the following persons along with his own, for appointment to fill vacancies in the Board of Land Agents, viz: The Rev. Edward S. Stone, Mr. Geo. R. Bottum and John Reeve, and that the Society had acceded to the request and issued a new power of attorney accordingly. Whereupon Mr. Charles Dewey submitted the following preamble and resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, At the last Annual Convention the Rt. Rev. Bishop was requested to communicate with the venerable "Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts," and ask for the appointment of persons recommended by the Convention to fill vacancies in the Board of Land Agents, and

WHEREAS, In compliance with the Bishop's request a power of attorney has been granted without expense to the Convention, constituting the Bishop, the Rev. Edward S. Stone of Enosburgh Falls, Geo. R. Bottum of Rutland, and John Reeve of Island Pond, as additional members of the Board. Therefore,

Resolved, That our most cordial acknowledgments are due and are hereby tendered to the venerable "Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts," for its usual kindness and generosity in acceeding to the request of the Convention of the Diocese of Vermont, for the appointment of additional agents for the management of the land, the rents of which it has granted to the use of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Vermont, and for all their other acts of fraternal sympathy, which have served to strengthen the attachment of the Church in the United States to the mother Church of England.

Resolved, That the Bishop be requested to transmit to the venerable Society a copy of these resolutions.

The Rev. Mr. Randall, in behalf of the Committee to whom was referred the resolutions presented by Mr. Ward, submitted their report recommending the following resolutions, which on motion of Mr. Smith of Montpelier were adopted:

Resolved, That this Convention hereby recommends that the Trustees of any and all Diocesan funds held in trust for this Diocese, and organizations therein, (without limitations made by the person or persons who gave or bequeathed said funds which would conflict with this resolution,) make all future investments of such funds within the limits prescribed by the laws of the State of Vermont regulating investments made by Savings Banks and Trust Companies.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that no Trustee or other person having the care of any trust funds of this Diocese should become a borrower of such funds.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Johnson it was further

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that all future reports of the Treasurer of Trustees of Diocesan funds to the Trustees of such funds, or through them to the Convention of the Diocese, should state the character of each investment and a description of the security accompanying each loan.

The Rev. F. W. Smith, Chairman of the Committee on Canons, reported that the Committee had had under consideration the matter of amendments of Canons and also of Article VI of the Constitution as referred to in the resolution of the Rev. Mr. Davis last evening, and recommend that it is inexpedient to initiate any change in Article VI, of the Constitution at the present time.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Johnson,

Resolved, That the report of the Committee and the subject-matter relating thereto, be referred to a special committee to report to the next Annual Convention.

The President appointed as such committee, the Rev. Messrs. Johnson, Goddard and E. B. Smith, and Messrs. Ormsbee and Wyman.

The Rev. F. W. Smith, Chairman of the Committee on Canons, called up the report of the Committee made yesterday and approved by the Convention, in which it recommended the adoption of the amendments proposed by the Rev. Mr. Johnson to the following Canons: [See pages 85-86]

Canon 9 of Title II [edition of 1885, printed in Journal of 1893, pages 261 and 262]. Also Section 2, Canon 3, Title I [edition of 1885, in Journal of 1893, page 250]. Also Canon 10 of Title I [edition of 1885, in Journal of 1893, page 253]. Also Section 8, Canon 1, Title III [edition of 1885, in Journal of 1893, page 264].

The amendments were read by the President severally, and each amendment adopted by a majority of both orders, and the Canons declared to be amended accordingly.

The amendment to Section 3, Canon 7, of Title II was on motion of the Rev. Mr. Goddard indefinitely postponed.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Johnson,

Resolved, That the signature of the Lay Delegates to the Parochial Reports required by Section 2, Canon 9, Title II as amended by this Convention, shall be reckoned a sufficient compliance with the requirements of Article VII of the Constitution for the Annual Convention of 1896.

The Rev. Mr. Johnson presented the report of the Committee on Parochial Reports which was read and ordered to be printed in the Journal [A].

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Weeks,

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that a Declaration such as that proposed by the Commission on the Revision of the Constitution and Canons of the Church in this country is uncalled for.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Harris the resolution was laid on the table.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Bliss,

Resolved, That the next annual Convention of the Diocese be held in St. Stephen's Church, Middlebury, on the third Wednesday of June, 1896, unless the Bishop and Standing Committee determine to fix some other date.

On motion of Mr. Temple,

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Convention cause to be printed fifteen hundred copies of the Journal of the Convention, to distribute one hundred to the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, and the balance at his discretion.

On motion of Mr. Childs,

Resolved, That the printing be given to the lowest responsible bidder.

On motion of the Rev. Francis W. Smith,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be and are hereby tendered to the Rector, Vestrymen and Parishioners of Christ Church, Montpelier, for their most generous hospitality to the members and visitors of this Convention.

The minutes of the proceedings of the Convention were then read by the Secretary and approved.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Bliss,

Resolved, That after the usual Devotional Services the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

After Prayer and Benediction by the Bishop the Convention adjourned.

ARTHUR C. A. HALL,
President of the Convention.

THOMAS H. CANFIELD, *Secretary.*

FRED E. SMITH, *Assistant Secretary.*

APPENDIX A.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

The Committee on Parochial Reports beg leave to report:

The reports which have been placed in their hands this year are very much more carefully made out as a whole than those of last year. This is especially true of the Reports of the Lay Delegates, in which the necessity of making income and expenditure balance has secured exactness.

There are a few points even in these, however, to which attention may be called.

1. The name of the Corporation in which the title of the Church or other property is vested should be given exactly. In many cases the statement has been left extremely vague; e. g. "Title vested in Parish," "Title vested in Vestry," "Title vested in Society."

2. In some reports under the head of income is reported "borrowed money" and this appears to be at least partially met by the item "reduction of debt" under the head of expenditure. We submit that debts which have been both incurred and paid during the year should not be reported; and that so far as they remain unpaid, they should be reported as "deficieney" and included under the item "all other debts of the parish."

The Canons require that the reason for the non-payment of Diocesan assessments be given. One parish which owes to the Diocese $185.79 assigns as the reason for non-payment "lack of funds," and at the same time reports a surplus amply sufficient to cover one at least of the three unpaid assessments. We beg also to call attention to the fact that the signatures appended to the report should be *bona fide* signatures. It is evident in some cases that the signatures of several lay delegates have been written by the same hand. It is not a list of the lay delegates, but their signatures attesting the truth of the statements contained in the report that the constitution requires.

In the Reports of Rectors and Missionaries a number of mistakes have been made through inadvertence. The directions on the back of the blank forms have in many cases not been followed. A blank left unfilled means "No report," means, that is, that for some reasons or other the clergyman is unable or unwilling to answer. This has been the case in many instances with reference to the "number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year." But many have left blanks where they should have used zeros, and thus have left their meaning doubtful.

Again there are many errors that would have been corrected if the reports had been read over carefully after being completed before they were sent to the Bishop.

There are errors which are only detected by a comparison of the Rector's Reports with those of the Lay Delegates. These, however, will be avoided next year, with the one report signed by the Rector and Church Wardens. It may, however, be worth while to call the attention of those clergymen who have charge of two parishes, or of a parish and mission, to the importance of comparing their two reports and making sure that they harmonize. One clergyman has

reported that on one Sunday in every month at 7 o'clock in the morning he has celebrated the Holy Communion both in his parish and in his mission.

In the reports of services terms of uncertain meaning should be avoided. "Important Holy Days," "greater festivals," "greater Saint's days" are phrases that convey different meanings to different persons. The Prayer Book makes no clear distinction among the Holy Days as to their relative importance.

If every report had been sent in, it would have been possible to have given a summary of the statistics for the past year, but the absence of the report from Bellows Falls owing to the illness of the Rector, makes this impossible. The financial statistics this year will again be of uncertain value, but there is reason to hope that with a single report next year, we shall secure an exact and trustworthy statement of all the contributions.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE B. JOHNSON.
GEORGE Y. BLISS.

APPENDIX B.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

For the Canonical Year from Easter Monday, March 26, 1894, to Easter Monday, April 15, 1895.

The statement of offerings from the Reports of Rectors and Missionaries will be found in the tables of statistics.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, ARLINGTON.

Date of organization of Parish, 1784.
Date of admission into union with the Convention, 1790.

REV. JAMES CURTISS CARNAHAN, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, October 15, 1893.

HARVEY E. TAYLOR, EDMUND A. GRAVES, ELMER H. BROWNSON,
Licensed Lay Readers.

Families 9, number of persons 250; Baptisms—Adults 4, infants 7, total 11; Confirmations—male 5, female 9, total 14; Marriages 1; Burials 5; Communicants—number reported last year 159, received from other cures 1, admitted 19, died 3, removed 8, dropped 4, present number—male 52, female 112, total 164; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 111; Sunday School—

teachers 7, pupils 50; Church Services—Sundays 143, week days 48; Celebrations of Holy Communion 21, on first Sunday of each month and on important Holy Days; Sermons and lectures 158; Public catechizings 2; the children are catechized by the Rector at every session of the Sunday School.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1831, consecrated 1832; value, including furnishings, etc., $15,000; insured for $3,500; title vested in Parish. Rectory purchased, 1892; value, including fixtures, $1,900; insured for $1,000; title vested in Parish. Endowment funds, $1,703; Betsy Canfield fund held by the Trustees of the Diocese. Fund in Marble savings bank, $336.73; total value of all parish property, $18,967.81.

INDEBTEDNESS of the parish, $158.70. The salary promised to the Rector is $700 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Balance from last report,	$ 71.21	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$596.77
Rents and other income of parish endowment,	122.74	For church music,	17.45
Annual subscriptions,	260.00	For care of church, etc.,	101.58
Offerings made in church,	339.86	Insurance,	7.07
Board of Land Agents,	46.00	Diocesan assessment,	75.00
Other sources,	18.18	Paid deficit of last year,	80.00
		All other disbursements,	114.12
		Total disbursed,	$941.99
		Surplus,	116.16
Total income,	$1,058.15		$1,058.15

PARISH OFFICERS.

MARTIN H. DEMING, Senior Warden.

FRANK N. CANFIELD, Junior Warden.

EDWARD C. WOODWORTH, Secretary of the Vestry.

FRANK N. CANFIELD, Treasurer of the Vestry.

J. ROLLIN JUDSON, GEORGE B. HOLDEN, MALCOLM N. NORTON, HERBERT N. SHAW, CLEMENT B. VIAULT, Vestrymen.

JESSE BURDETT,
MARTIN H. DEMING,
J. ROLLIN JUDSON,
EDWARD C. WOODWORTH,
} Lay Delegates.

IMMANUEL CHURCH, BELLOWS FALLS.

REV. DAVID L. SANFORD, Rector.

(Owing to the Rector's illness, no report has been received from him.)

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1861, consecrated 1876; value, including furnishings, etc., $30,000; insured for $15,000; title vested in Parish as trustee. Value of Rectory, including fixtures, $1,500; insured for $1,200; title vested in Parish as trustee. Endowment funds, $2,600 for care of the church property; the Wardens are trustees. Other property, parish house, $5,000; insured for $3,000; total value of all parish property, $39,100.

INDEBTEDNESS—Unpaid diocesan assessments, missions $68.29, convention expenses $67.50, Bishop's salary $50; total indebtedness, $185.79. Diocesan assessments have not been paid by reason of a lack of funds. The salary promised the Rector is $1,200 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Balance from last year,	$ 97.50	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$1,090.00
Rents and other income of parish endowment,	150.00	For church music,	500.00
Pew rents,	1,587.05	For care of church, etc.,	150.00
Annual subscriptions,	500.00	Insurance,	25.00
Offerings made in church,	159.73	Diocesan assessments,	221.71
		Paid deficit of last year,	300.00
		All other disbursements,	142.00
		Total disbursed,	$2,428.71
		Surplus,	65.57
Total income,	$2,494.28		$2,494.28

PARISH OFFICERS.

JOSHUA H. WEBB, Senior Warden.

JOHN W. FLINT, Junior Warden.

H. E. BOWTELL, Secretary of the Vestry.

JOHN H. WILLIAMS, Treasurer of the Vestry.

C. W. BUTTERFIELD, GEO. A. GUILD, WILLIAM A. HALL, Vestrymen.

JAMES H. WILLIAMS, JOSHUA H. WEBB, JOHN H. WILLIAMS, GEO. H. BABBITT, } Lay Delegates.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BENNINGTON.

Date of organization of Parish, July 24, 1834.
Date of admission into union with the Convention, 1835.

REV. GEORGE LYNDE RICHARDSON, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, Easter Day, March 25, 1894.
Instituted, Second Sunday after Easter, April 8, 1894.

Families 101, number of persons 365; Baptisms—adults 3, infants 14, total 17; Confirmations—female 4, total 4; Marriages 3; Burials 21; Communicants—number reported

last year 165, received from other cures 6, admitted 12; died 8, removed 4, present number (Easter, 1895)—male 55, female 116, total 171; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 145; Sunday School—teachers 14, pupils 57; Church Services—Sundays 140, week days 112; Celebrations of Holy Communion—public 73, private 6, total 79; all Sundays, Holy Days and twice on Greater Festivals; Sermons and lectures, by Rector 155, other clergy 18, total 173; Public catechizings—every Sunday in Sunday School, twice at evening prayer. The parish register has been carefully revised. The Holy Communion alms were supplemented by $105.09, raised by a committee of ladies to meet unusual calls for charity during the winter. The money raised "for special uses" includes $295.27 spent by St. Mary's Guild on the decoration of the church, $149.93 on the rectory and $120.75 added to the Parish House Fund, which now amounts to $143.15.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1836, consecrated 1839; value, including furnishings, etc., $4,500; no insurance; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont. Value of Rectory, including fixtures, $2,300; insured for $1,500; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont. Total value of all parish property $6,800.

INDEBTEDNESS of the parish $66. The salary promised to the Rector is $1,000 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Balance from last year,	$ 29.21	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$1,000.00
Annual subscriptions,	1,289.45	For church music,	257.00
Offerings made in Church,	234.56	For care of church, etc.,	56.25
Special gifts of Parishioners,	283.75	Diocesan assessments,	190.00
Other sources, Norton Fund balance,	590.02	Increase or improvement of property,	726.04
		All other disbursements,	118.06
		Total disbursed,	$2,347.35
		Surplus,	77.64
Total income,	$2,424.99		$2,424.99

PARISH OFFICERS.

JOHN T. SHURTLEFF, Senior Warden.

HENRY O. HARWOOD, Junior Warden.

HENRY O. HARWOOD, Secretary of the Vestry.

LUMAN P. NORTON, Treasurer of the Vestry.

LUMAN P. NORTON, WALTER G. RICHARDSON, JOHN H. NORTON, JOSEPH SCHWARZ, J. L. FINN, L. FREDERICK ABBOTT, THOS. A. HUTCHINS, CHAS. C. KIMBALL, CHARLES BARNES, Vestrymen.

LUMAN P. NORTON,
WALTER G. RICHARDSON,
L. FREDERICK ABBOTT,
JOHN H. NORTON,
} Lay Delegates.

CALVARY CHURCH, BERKSHIRE.

Date of organization of Parish, 1819.

REV. FOREST H. BLUNT, Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector, April 24, 1894.

Families 28, number of persons 81; Baptisms—adult 1, infant 1, total 2; Confirmation—male 1; Marriage 1; Burial 1; Communicants—number reported last year 42, received

from other cures 1, admitted 1, died 1, removed 2, present number (Easter, 1895)—male 15, female 26, total 41; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 40; Sunday School—teachers 5, pupils 41; Church Services—Sundays, morning and evening; week days, every Friday evening; Celebrations of Holy Communion—every Sunday and on greater Saint's Days and Holy Days, about sixty celebrations in all; Sermons and lectures—two sermons on Sunday, an address Friday evening; Public catechizings—once a month. Painting the rectory and other repairs cost the parish about $40.00, which is not mentioned in the above.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1873, consecrated 1874, value, including furnishings, etc., $6,000, insured for $950, title vested in society. Rectory, erected 1858, value, including fixtures $800, insured for $500, title vested in society. Total value of all parish property $6,800.

INDEBTEDNESS, none. The salary promised to the Rector is $320 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Offerings made in church,	$310.00	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$320.00
Board of Land Agents,	50.00	For church music,	17.00
		Insurance,	7.00
		Diocesan assessments	16.00
Total income,	$360.00	Total disbursed,	$360.00

PARISH OFFICERS.

EZRA B. SMITH, Senior Warden.

CORLISS S. PERLEY, Junior Warden.

HOMER B. LOVERIN, Secretary of the Vestry.

KILES A. PAUL, Treasurer of the Vestry.

KILES A. PAUL, CORLISS S. PERLEY, EZRA B. SMITH, CHAS. H. STRATTON, HOMER B. LOVERIN, OLIVER S. JANES, EDWARD W SMITH, WM. B. JOLLY, HOMER S. SMITH, Vestrymen.

EZRA B. SMITH, HOMER B. LOVERIN, } Lay Delegates.

CHRIST CHURCH, BETHEL.

Date of organization of Parish, July 27, 1794.

The REV. JOSEPH B. TREVETT, M. D., Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector. June 1, A. D., 1894.

Families 28; number of persons 95; Baptisms—adult 1; Comfirmations—male 4; Marriages 5: Burials 4; Communicants—number reported last year 50, received from other cures 4; admitted 4; present number (Easter, 1895), male 15; female 43; total 58; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 58; Sunday School—teachers 2; pupils 20; Church Services—Sundays 48; week days 44; Celebrations of Holy Communion 14, and one in private; the first Sunday of each month and all the greater festivals. Sermons and Lectures 71. There has been a week day service every Friday throughout the year, and an additional one during Lent. The Church has been painted by an individual member of the Parish, at a cost of about $50.00.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1846, consecrated 1847; value, including furnishings, etc., $2,000; insured for $1,500; title vested in Wardens and Vestrymen. Rectory erected 1849; value, including fixtures, $1,500; insured for $800; title vested in Wardens and

Vestrymen. Endowment funds, total amount, $1,750; $1,000, Lois Smith fund, Trustees of Diocese; $150, Olivia Flynn fund, Trustees of Diocese; $600, Louisa Lillie fund, Wardens and Vestrymen; total value of all parish property, $5,250. The salary promised the Rector is $551 a year.

No INDEBTEDNESS.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Balance from last year,	$ 15.45	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$416.86
Rents and other income of parish endowment,	144.70	For church music,	8.92
Annual subscriptions,	177.00	For care of church, etc.,	34.94
Offerings made in church,	77.63	Diocesan assessments,	37.00
Board of Land Agents,	103.83	Increase or improvement of property,	11.40
Other sources,	100.00	All other disbursements,	14.04
		Total disbursed,	$523.16
		Surplus,	95.45
Total income,	$618.61		$618.61

PARISH OFFICERS.

SIMEON HAILE CHASE, Senior Warden.

MARCH MCCOY WILSON, Junior Warden.

GUY WILSON, Secretary of the Vestry.

GUY WILSON, Treasurer of the Vestry.

MARCH M. WILSON, SIMEON HAILE CHASE, CHARLES W. CURTIS, MYRON G. SAFFORD, WALTER H. CREAMER, GEORGE H. KIMBALL, AARON H. WILSON, GUY WILSON, Vestrymen.

The old Rectory has been sold for $1,500 and it is intended to build a new one this year.

AARON H. WILSON,
CHARLES W. CURTIS, } Lay Delegates.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, BRANDON.

Date of organization of Parish, June 15, 1889.
Date of admission into union with the Convention, 1889.

Rev. William Farrar Weeks, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, 11th Sunday after Trinity, 1889.

Families 78, number of persons 214; Baptisms—adults 6, infants 9, total 15; Confirmations—male 5, female 10, total 15; Marriages 4; Burials 14; Communicants—number reported last year 108, received from other cures 1, admitted 15, died 1, removed 7, dropped or suspended 2, present number (Easter 1895)—male 23, female 91, total 114; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 97; Sunday School—teachers 4, pupils 36; Church Services—Sundays 133, week days 114; Celebration of Holy Communion 76; Rule—each Lord's Day, Festival, Saint's Day and on Thanksgiving Day and Ash Wednesday, Easter Tuesday and Whitsun Tuesday; Sermons 94; Lectures 16; Public catechizings 6.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

The Property of the parish consists of stone Church, erected 1861, consecrated 1863; value, including furnishings, etc., $10,000; insured for $3,000; title vested in St. Thomas's Church, Brandon, Vt.; Rectory purchased, 1870; value, including fixtures, $1,500; insured for $1,000; title vested in St. Thomas's Church, Brandon, Vt.; endowment funds, total amount, $850; a fund for the support of St. Thomas's Church, Brandon, $750, Mrs. Chauncey W. Conant fund, $100, both held by Trustees of the Diocese. Other prop-

erty, Morrill block, $5,500; Conant house, $3,000; insured for $5,250; total value of parish property, $20,850.

INDEBTEDNESS of the parish—mortgages or other liens on property, $400; all other debts of the parish, $57; total indebtedness, $457. The salary promised to the Rector is $1,000 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Rents and other income of parish endowments,	$ 837.50	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$1,047.67
Annual subscriptions,	115.00	For Church Music,	127.54
Offerings made in church,	440.93	For care of Church, etc.,	208.71
Special gifts of parishioners,	63.01	Insurance,	97.19
Board of Land Agents,	98.10	Diocesan assessments,	34.00
Other aid from without the parish,	150.00	Interest on debts,	24.00
Other sources,	39.60	Reduction of debts,	35.00
		Increase or improvement of property,	121.62
		All other disbursements,	41.71
		Total disbursed,	$1,737.44
		Surplus,	6.70
Total income,	$1,744.14		$1,744.14

PARISH OFFICERS.

E. J. ORMSBEE, Senior Warden.

CHARLES W. BRIGGS, Junior Warden.

JOHN L. KNIGHT, Secretary of the Vestry.

JOHN P. REED, Treasurer of the Vestry.

E. J. ORMSBEE, CHARLES W. BRIGGS, JOHN P. REED, JOHN L. KNIGHT, GEORGE BRIGGS, Vestrymen.

E. J. ORMSBEE, JOHN P. REED, } Lay Delegates.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, BRATTLEBORO.

Rev. WILLIAM H. COLLINS, Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector, (Easter April 17th, A. D., 1875.

Families 65, number of persons 260; Baptisms—adult 1, infants 18, total 19; Confirmations—male 5, female 6, total 11; Marriages 7; Burials 4; Communicants—number reported last year 130, admitted 10, died 1, removed to other cures 4, present number (Easter, 1895) male 25, female 110, total 135; Sunday School—teachers 8, pupils 72; Church Services—Sundays, morning and evening; week days, on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday during Lent, and at other times as appointed; Celebrations of the Holy Communion, on all Lord's Days and Holy Days; Sermons and lectures, every Sunday and during Lent; Public catechizings, children catechized every Sunday in Sunday School.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1858, consecrated 18—, value, including furnishings, etc., $6,000, insured for $4,000, title vested in Trustees of Vermont Diocese. Rectory, erected 1871, value, including fixtures $5,000, insured for $3,000, title vested in Trustees of Vermont Diocese. Total value of all parish property $11,000.

INDEBTEDNESS of the parish—$981. The salary promised to the Rector is $1,100 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Balance from last year,	$ .79	Salary paid the Rector during the year,	$1,268.95
Annual subscriptions,	1,128.36	For church music,	302.40
Offerings made in church,	266.64	For care of church, etc.,	170.92
Special gifts of Parishioners,	50.80	Diocesan assessments,	52.50
Other sources, (borrowed money),	725.00	Interest on debts,	21.60
		Reduction of debts,	350.00
Total income,	$2,171.59	Total disbursed,	$2,166.37
		Surplus,	5.22
			$2,171.59

PARISH OFFICERS.

WILLIAM AUSTINE, Senior Warden.

FRANK E. DRAPER, Junior Warden.

ARTHUR W. CHILDS, Secretary of the Vestry.

ARTHUR W. CHILDS, Treasurer of the Vestry.

FREDERICK W. CHILDS, JOHN HACKLEY, WILLIAM J. PENTLAND, ARTHUR W. CHILDS, HARRY A. WEBSTER, Vestrymen.

Three hundred and fifty-six dollars of the foregoing indebtedness was contracted the current year.

KITTREDGE HASKINS, FREDERICK W. CHILDS, ARTHUR W. CHILDS, } Lay Delegates.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BURLINGTON.

Date of organization of Parish, December 13, 1831.
Date of admission into union with the Convention, May 30, 1832.

THE REV. J. ISHAM BLISS, D. D., RECTOR.
Assumed charge as Rector, April 12, 1885.

THE REV. GEORGE Y. BLISS, Assistant Minister.

Families 272; number of persons 1,050; Baptisms—adults 11; infants 23; total 34; Confirmations—male 23; female 31; total 54; Marriages 14; Burials 19; Communicants—number reported last year 546; received from other cures 13; admitted 64; died 8; removed 12; present number (Easter, 1895)—male 195; female 408; total 603; Sunday School—teachers 18; pupils 181; Church Services—Sundays, the Holy Communion, morning and evening prayer and ordinarily the Litany; week days, morning prayer on Holy Days. Evening prayer on all Fridays and every day in Lent. Celebrations of Holy Communion, every Sunday [the first

Sunday of the month at mid-day], and on the greater festivals. Sermons 113; Lectures 29.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1831, consecrated 1832; Chapel, erected 1882; value, including furnishing, etc., $53,000; insured for $33,000; title vested in Trustees of Diocese; Rectory, erected 1885; value, including fixtures, $10,000; insured for $6,000; title vested in Trustees of Diocese; endowment funds, total amount, $2,500; $500 for poor, the Rector Trustee; $2,000 for poor, the Diocese Trustee; other property, $7,000, Sexton's House, value $2,000; insured for $1,000; Asst. Minister's house, value $5,000; insured for $2,000, total $3,000; total value of all parish property, $72,500.

No direct indebtedness. The salary promised to the Rector is $2,000 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Balance from last year,	$ 207.78	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$2,000.00
Pew rents and annual subscriptions,	5,727.46	Salary paid the Asst. Minister,	800.00
Offerings made in Church,	855.02	For Church music,	1,491.85
		For care of Church, etc., including repairs, fuel, gas, etc.,	1,966.02
		Insurance,	123.75
		Diocesan assessments,	290.00
		Total disbursed,	$6,671.62
		Surplus,	118.64
Total income,	$6,790.26		$6,790.26

PARISH OFFICERS.

DANIEL W. ROBINSON, Senior Warden.

HEMAN W. ALLEN, Junior Warden.

ELIAS LYMAN, Secretary of the Vestry.

HENRY L. WARD, Treasurer of the Vestry.

LEGRAND B. CANNON, DANIEL W. ROBINSON, HEMAN W. ALLEN, HENRY WELLS, ELIAS LYMAN, HENRY H. ROSS, CHARLES E. ALLEN, JOHN C. FARRAR, Vestrymen.

There is an indebtedness of $1,600 for repairs on dwelling house given the parish in 1893, which indebtedness is being reduced from time to time by rent received.

LEG. B. CANNON,
DANIEL W. ROBINSON,
HEMAN W. ALLEN,
ELIAS LYMAN,
HENRY WELLS,
HENRY L. WARD,
HENRY H. ROSS,
} Lay Delegates.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CHESTER.

Date of organization of Parish, 1868.
Date of admission into union with the Convention, June 4, 1868.

REV. JAMES OSWALD DAVIS, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector Nov. 23d, 1894.

Families 48, number of persons 154; Baptisms—adults 4, infants 4, total 8; Confirmations—female 4; Burials 4; Communicants—number reported last year, 77, admitted 4, removed to other cures 1; present number (Easter, 1895), male 16, female 44, total 60; number that have received the Holy Communion since Nov. 23, 1894, 37; Sunday School—teachers 4, pupils 35; Church Services—Sundays 49, week days 45; Celebrations of Holy Communion 31, Sundays, Holy Days, also Thursdays during Lent; Sermons and lectures, 65; Public Catechizings. The rule since Nov. 23, 1894, is weekly catechizing.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1871, consecrated 1871; value, including furnishings, etc., $12,000; insured for $5,000; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Value of Rectory, including fixtures, $2,000; insured for $1,500; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Total value of all parish property, $14,000.

Total INDEBTEDNESS, $82.94. The salary promised the Rector is $400 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Pew rents,	$303.05	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$303.05
Offerings made in church,	41.86	For church music,	62.00
Board of Land Agents,	75.00	For care of church, etc,	52 00
Other sources,	60.14	Diocesan assessments,	10.00
		Paid deficit of last year,	53.00
Total income,	$480.05	Total disbursed,	$480.05

PARISH OFFICERS.

OSCAR MILLER, Senior Warden.

CHARLES M. WEBB, Junior Warden.

A. N. CHANDLER, Secretary of the Vestry.

Miss STELLA ATWOOD, Treasurer of the Vestry.

OSCAR MILLER, CHARLES M. WEBB, E. L. SHERWIN, A. N. CHANDLER, GEO. S. HILTON, Vestrymen.

A. N. CHANDLER, OSCAR MILLER, } Lay Delegates.

CHRIST CHURCH, ENOSBURGH.

Date of organization of Parish, 1821.

THE REV. EDWARD S. STONE, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, August 1, 1889.

CALEB R. BREWER, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 22; number of persons 87; Baptisms—adults 2; infants 6; total 8; Confirmation—male 1; Burials 3; Communicants—number reported last year 29; admitted 1; died 1; present number (Easter, 1895), male 8, female 21; total 29; number that have received Holy Communion during the past year 26; Sunday School—teachers 3; pupils 26; Church Services—Morning prayer and Holy Communion first Sunday of month at 9 o'clock; evening prayer (except first Sunday of month) at 2.30 o'clock; week days through Advent and Lent, one week-day service each week. Celebrations of Holy Communion 16, on first Sunday in month and on some of the Holy days; Sermons and Lectures, a sermon or lecture at every service; Public Catechizings occasional.

LAY DELGATES REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1861, consecrated 1862; value, including furnishings, etc., $2,000; insured for $1,500; title soon to be vested in Trustees of the Diocese. No Rectory. Endowment funds, total amount, $255.80—$200 the "Samantha Cramton fund," $55.80 "The Endowment Fund of Christ Church; both are held by the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont. Total value of all parish property, $2,255.80.

INDEBTEDNESS, none.

INCOME of the parish for the year—	
Rents and other income of parish endowment,	$ 10.00
Annual subscriptions,	128.69
Offerings made in church,	30.61
Special gifts of parishioners,	119.00
From the Diocesan Board of Missions,	100.00
Board of Land Agents,	76.62
Other sources, glebe land,	5.78
Total income,	$470.70

EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$315.31
For care of church, etc.,	16.00
Insurance,	10.50
Diocesan assessments,	4.00
Increase or improvement of property,	108.50
Increase of endowments,	13.59
All other disbursements,	1.55
Total disbursed.	$469.45
Surplus,	1.25
	$470.70

PARISH OFFICERS.

CALEB R. BREWER, Senior Warden.

FRANK CASSIDY, Junior Warden.

VAN E. PERLEY, Secretary of the Vestry.

JOHN R. CASSIDY, Treasurer of the Vestry.

CALEB R. BREWER, VAN E. PERLEY, FRANK CASSIDY, JOHN R. CASSIDY, CREIGHTON CASSIDY, Vestrymen.

Of the special gifts above, $65 was from a communicant for painting the church, and $40 from the Woman's Auxiliary for a new carpet.

CALEB R. BREWER, Lay Delegate.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, ENOSBURGH FALLS.

Date of organization of Parish, 1869.

Date of admission into union with the Convention, June 2, 1870.

REV. EDWARD S. STONE, Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector, August 1, 1889.

HENRY AUGUSTUS CRAMTON, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 58, total number of persons 204; Baptisms—adults 5, infants 6, total 11; Confirmations—male 7, female 5, total 12; Marriages 3; Burials 5; Communicants—number reported last year 93, received from other cures 1, admitted 15, died 4, removed 5, present number (Easter, 1895) —male 31, female 69, total 100; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 98; Sunday School—teachers 5, pupils 57; Church Services—Sundays, 7.30 A. M. (except first Sunday of month) 10 A. M. Sunday School, 11 A. M. and 7 P. M.; week days, Friday 7.30 evening prayer and address, daily morning prayer, 9 o'clock.

evening prayer, 4.15; Celebrations of Holy Communion—on all Sundays and Holy Days and daily through Lent, during past year 97 celebrations and 10 for the sick; Sermons and lectures—on Sundays and Friday evenings and the greater Feasts and Fasts; Public catechizings—occasional and in Sunday School. Of the special gifts ($130.50), $120 was from Messrs. C. L. Marsh and Olin Merrill for wiring the church and providing electroliers and fixtures; and the rest from the Rev. G. B. Stone for six brass candlesticks and six purificators. The parish has also received from a friend some double windows and storm doors for the Rectory.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1871, consecrated 1874; value, including furnishings, etc., $3,000; insured for $2,250; title vested in Trustees of Diocese of Vermont; Rectory, erected 1887; value, $2,500; insured for $1.000; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese; other property, Rectory stable, $300; insured for $200; total value of all Parish property, $5,800.

NO INDEBTEDNESS. The salary promised to the Rector, including part paid by Christ Church, is $900 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Balance from last year,	$ 24.81	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$ 584.69
Annual subscriptions,	488.07	For Church music,	19.13
Offerings made in Church,	42.42	For care of Church,	53.90
Special gifts of Parishioners,	181.00	Insurance,	11.19
From the Diocesan Board of Missions,	20.00	Diocesan assessments,	20.07
Board of Land Agents,	76.62	Increase or improvement of property,	181.00
Glebe land,	5.78	All other disbursements,	23.38
Other sources,	54.66		
Total income	$893.36	Total disbursed,	$893.36

PARISH OFFICERS.

WILLIAM R. HUTCHINSON, Senior Warden.

CARMI L. MARSH, Junior Warden.

HENRY B. DICKINSON, Secretary of the Vestry.

HENRY B. DICKINSON, Treasurer of the Vestry.

WM. R. HUTCHINSON, C. L. MARSH, H. A. CRAMTON, D. B. STETSON, L. C. KENDALL, H. B. DICKINSON, W. H. MCALLISTER, A. J. DARRAH, J. H. MEARS, A. R. BELL, A. J. CHADWICK, Vestrymen.

HENRY A. CRAMTON,
ARTHUR J. DARRAH,
WM. HENRY MCALLISTER, } Lay Delegates.

CHRIST CHURCH, GUILFORD.

Date of organization of Parish, 1819 (?).

Rev. W. H. COLLINS, Priest in charge.

Families 6, total number of persons 25; Baptisms—infant 1; Burials 2; Communicants—number reported last year 13; died 1; present number (Easter, 1895), male 2, female 10, total 12; Celebrations of Holy Communion, monthly from May to November.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of--Church, erected 1818, consecrated 1819; value, including furnishings, etc., $4,000; insured for $2,200; no report of vested title. Rectory erected 1849; value, including fixtures $1,200; insured for $800. Total value of all parish property, $5,200.

INDEBTEDNESS of the parish, $46.

INCOME of the parish for the year—

Board of Land Agents..... $50.00

PARISH OFFICERS.

JOSEPH M. HOUGHTON, Senior Warden.

WILLIAM H. JACOBS, Junior Warden.

JOSEPH M. HOUGHTON, Secretary of the Vestry.

JOSEPH M. HOUGHTON, Treasurer of the Vestry.

WILLIAM H. JACOBS, JOSEPH M. HOUGHTON, GEORGE E. HOUGHTON, Vestrymen.

WILLIAM H. JACOBS, JOSEPH M. HOUGHTON, } Lay Delegates.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, HIGHGATE.

Date of organization of parish, 1852.
Date of admission into union with the Convention, 1833.

REV. GEORGE A. WILKINS, Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector, October 1, 1894.

Families 19, number of persons 70; Confirmation—female 1; Communicants—number reported last year 25, received from other cures 2, admitted 1, removed 1, present number (Easter, 1895) male 5, female 22, total 27; number that have received the Holy Communion since October 1st, 24: Sunday School—teachers 3, pupils 20; Church Services—Sundays 30, week days 28; Celebrations of Holy Communion 10, Sundays 7, Holy Days 3; Sermons and lectures 58; Public catechizings 3. Services were held during Lent at East Highgate and Fairfield. Holy Days cannot be commemorated in each parish on the same occasion, so they were divided between the two parishes.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 830, consecrated May 21, 1833, value, including furnish-ıgs, etc., $1,500, insured for $1,500, title vested in parish, 'here is an annuity of $50 per annum from the Keyes ;tate to the settled Minister of St. John's Church.

NO INDEBTEDNESS. The salary promised to the Rector ; $400 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—	
Balance from last year,	$ 44.93
Annual subscriptions,	42.00
Offerings made in church,	67.46
From the Diocesan Board of Missions,	50.00
Board of Land Agents,	75.00
Total income,	$279.39

EXPENDITURE of the Parish—	
Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$167.00
For care of church, etc.,	61.37
Insurance,	8.40
Diocesan assessments,	10.00
All other disbursements,	26.24
Total disbursed,	$273.01
Surplus,	6.38
	$279.39

PARISH OFFICERS.

CHARLES A. SKEELS, Senior Warden.

JOHN R. HARVEY, Junior Warden.

JOHN R. HARVEY, Secretary of the Vestry.

E. D. HERRICK, Treasurer of the Parish.

CHARLES A. SKEELS, JOHN R. HARVEY, JOHN T. PATTERSON, Vestrymen.

The Vestry have found that is is almost impracticable for their ;ector to hold services at Highgate and Sheldon on the same Sunday uring the winter months on account of the distance and the condi-ion of the roads. They would like the Bishop's consent to have alter-ate Sunday services—supplying the intervening Sundays with a ay Reader if possible,—as soon as winter sets in, until the roads are ood in the spring. The Sheldon Vestry will agree to this arrange-ıent. The Vestry ask for a continuation of Diocesan aid as granted

at the last Convention—$200 from the Missionary Committee and $180 from the Land Agents—to be equally divided between the two parishes.

CHARLES A. SKEELS, Lay Delegate.

Trinity Church, Fairfield.

During the Lenten season, at the request of a zealous female communicant of this church, and by permission of the Rt. Rev. Bishop of the Diocese, I held several week-day services in this church. The parish is one of the oldest in the Diocese, having been organized in 1803. Since the death of the Rev. A. H. Bailey, D. D., who ministered for several years to the spiritual wants of the parishioners, in connection with his work as Rector of Grace Church, Sheldon, the parish has had no regular clerical services, and for more than a year has been visited by no church clergyman. Three persons, two children and a young lady, were baptized by me. At a celebration of Holy Communion held on Sunday, about a dozen communicants received. There is a prospect of several baptisms soon, and two candidates for Confirmation are receiving instructions. The parishioners are anxious to have services at least one Sunday in each month, and oftener if practicable. They will raise at least $100 per annum on subscription to pay towards regular services of a clergyman and ask that some aid be extended by the Diocese. The church building needs some repairs to make it comfortable, and the work will be commenced just as soon as the parish can be assured that services will be held at regular times. Until some permanent arrangements are made, by the consent of the Bishop, I will (D. V.) officiate here during the summer on the fourth Sunday morning of the month, having the regular afternoon services at Sheldon and Evensong at Highgate. The three parishes, Highgate,

Kan., Wardens trustees. Total value of all parish property, $8,100.

INDEBTEDNESS of the parish, $39.50.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Balance from last year,	$ 34.00	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$776.28
Rents and other income of parish endowment,	96.19	For care of church, etc.,	97.70
Offerings made in church,	627.58	Diocesan assessments,	21.00
Board of Land Agents,	75.00	Increase or improvement of property,	27.31
Other aid from without the parish,	50.00		
Interest Baxter fund,	15.00		
Other sources,	24.42		
Total income,	$922.19	Total disbursed,	$922.19

PARISH OFFICERS.

EDMOND L. WYMAN, Senior Warden.

JOHN H. WHIPPLE, Junior Warden.

CHARLES E. YOUNG, Secretary of the Vestry.

CHARLES B. ROWE, Treasurer of the Vestry.

EMMET G. TUTTLE, G. HENRY DENCH, CHARLES U. WAY, J. CHARLES HEINEL, CHARLES L. DENCH, Vestrymen.

EDMOND L. WYMAN,
CHARLES L. DENCH,
J. CHARLES HEINEL,
} Lay Delegates.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, MIDDLEBURY.

Date of organization of Parish, 1808.

Date of admission into union with the Convention, 1808.

REV. SIMON BLINN BLUNT, Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector, December 3rd, 1893.

MR. EARL [illegible]EDGERTON, Licensed Lay Reader.

SAINT FAITH'S MISSION, CASTLETON.

(Name authorized by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese, September, 1894.) The spot where the Church was first established in Rutland county before the American Revolution, has grown marvellously during the past year. Much is due to our faithful Lay Reader, Mr. Maynard, who now resides there. Present number of parishioners 53. The Sunday School has grown in fourteen months from 11 to 37. Baptisms—infant 1, adults 2, total 3; Confirmed 3, with a class of five or more waiting for the expected visit of the Bishop on Whitsunday. The number of parishioners now exactly equals that of Hydeville.

J. ANKETELL, Missonary.

CHRIST CHURCH, ISLAND POND.

Date of admission into union with the Convention, June 9, 1880.

REV. THOMAS BELL, Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector September 8, 1893.

Families 45; Baptisms—infants 5; Confirmations—female 6; Marriages 2; Burials 6; Communicants—number reported last year 65, admitted 6, died 1, removed to other cures 2, present number (Easter, 1895), 68; Sunday School, teachers 5, pupils 60; Church services—Sundays, every Sunday except two, week days only in Lent; Celebrations of Holy Communion, monthly and the great festivals. There are weekly celebrations at the regular morning service during Advent and Lent.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1874, consecrated 1880; value, including furnishings, etc., $7,000; insured for $3,600; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese; Rectory, lot purchased, 1893, value $180.50, cash in bank $346.61, total $527.11; title vested in Rector and Wardens; total value of all parish property, $7,527.11.

INDEBTEDNESS of the parish, $236.07. The salary promised to the Rector is $800.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Balance from last year,	$ 45.70	Salary paid the Rector during the year past,	$ 800.00
Annual subscriptions,	422.91	For Church music,	51.80
Offerings made in Church,	74.12	For care of Church, etc.,	86 09
Special gifts of Parishioners,	7.92	Insurance,	52.51
At the Bishop's visitations,	5.12	Diocesan assessments,	15.00
From the Diocesan Board of Missions,	300.00	Interest on debts,	4.92
Board of Land Agents,	95.00	Reduction of debts,	90.65
Other sources,	185.55	All other disbursements,	5.12
Total income,	$1,136.32	Total disbursed,	$1,106.09
		Surplus,	30.23
			$1,136.32

JOHN REEVE, Senior Warden.

W. H. BISHOP, Junior Warden.

JAS. STRATHEM, Secretary of the Vestry.

JAS. STRATHEM, Treasurer of the Vestry.

J. T. THURSTON, J. W. THURSTON, W. B. CAUSEBROOK, JOHN WILLOUGHBY, Vestrymen.

JOHN REEVE,
W. H. BISHOP, } Lay Delegates.

Families 16, total number of persons 77; Baptisms—adults 4, infants 6, total 10; Confirmations—male 3, female 9, total 12; Marriages 2; Burials 2; Communicants—number reported last year 34; admitted 12, died 1; removed to other cures 4; present number (Easter, 1895), male 8, female 34, total 42; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 42; Sunday School—teachers 5, pupils 30; Church Services—Sundays, every Sunday P. M., second Sunday of month A. M.; week days, Wednesdays during Advent and Lent and on some of the greater Saints' Days; Celebrations of Holy Communion 15, second Sunday of every month; Sermons every service; Public catechizings once a month.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1829, consecrated 1835, value, including furnishings, etc., $4,000, insured for $2,000, title vested in Union Church. No Rectory. Other property $300. Total value of all Parish property $4,300.

NO INDEBTEDNESS. The salary promised to the Rector is $280 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—	
Balance from last year,	$ 41.28
Offerings made in church,	249.45
Sunday School offering,	3.80
Board of Land Agents,	75.00
Other sources,	57.30
Total income,	$426.66

EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$295.00
For church music,	2.45
For care of church. etc.,	51.51
Diocesan assessments,	10.00
Total disbursed,	$358.96
Surplus,	67.70
	$426.66

PARISH OFFICERS.

J. C. GOODSPEED, Senior Warden.

F. F. RAWSON, Junior Warden.

O. N. KELTON, Secretary of the Vestry.

O. N. KELTON, Treasurer of the Vestry.

J. C. GOODSPEED, F. F. RAWSON, C. P. CLAPP, GEO. HEAD, O. N. KELTON, C. F. RAWSON, ALEX SNODGRASS, Vestrymen.

C. FULLER RAWSON, Lay Delegate.

CHRIST CHURCH, MONTPELIER.

Date of organization of Parish, September 8, 1840.
Date of admission into union with the Convention, 1840.

REV. ALONZO N. LEWIS, Rector.

Families 103, number of persons 389; Baptisms—adults 5, infants 7, total 12; Marriages 5; Burials 7; Communicants—number reported last year 201, received from other cures 5, admitted 3, died 1, dropped or suspended 1, present number (Easter, 1895)—male 68, female 139, total 207; Sunday School—teachers 8, pupils 87; Church Services—Sundays 98, week days 50; Celebrations of Holy Communion (Sundays) 15, and on most Holy Days; Sermons and and lectures 114; Public catechizings, on first Sunday of each month. The debt on the Rectory property has been extinguished by the Ladies' Guild. Valuable boxes and clothing have been sent to the Nebraska sufferers and to an orphan school (colored) at the South.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1868, consecrated 1868; value including furnishings, etc., $30,000; insured for $10,000; title vested in Wardens and Vestry. Rectory, purchased 1884; value, including fixtures, $5,000; insured for $3,000; title vested in Wardens and Vestry. Total value of all parish property, $35,000.

INDEBTEDNESS of the parish, $1,700. The salary promised the Rector is $1,200 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—	
Balance from last year,	$ 43.74
Rents and other income of parish endowment,	514.52
Pew rents,	1,563.15
Offerings made in church,	429.64
Special gifts of parishioners, Easter,	533.83
Special gifts of parishioners, for flowers and Lenten expenses,	29.56
Notes to Bank,	395.50
Other sources (Gospel fund,)	18.06
Total income,	$3,528.00

EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Salary paid the Rector during the past year, (18 months),	$1,300.00
For church music,	781.30
For care of church, etc.,	410.06
Insurance,	100.05
Diocesan assessment,	75.00
Interest on debts,	85.00
Reduction of debts,	340.29
Barre mission,	150.65
Repairs of church and organ,	153.48
All other disbursements,	126.67
Total disbursed,	$3,522.50
Surplus,	5.50
	$3,528.00

PARISH OFFICERS.

CHARLES DEWEY, Senior Warden.

FRED E. SMITH, Junior Warden.

OSMAN D. CLARK, Secretary of the Vestry.

THOMAS DEWEY, Treasurer of the Vestry.

CHARLES DEWEY, FRED E. SMITH, EDWARD DEWEY, L. P. GLEASON, GEO. E. TAPLIN, H. N. TAPLIN, E. D. BLACKWELL, WILLARD HOLDEN, GEO. B. B. DENNY, GEORGE BRAINERD, W. H. COWELL, Vestrymen.

CHARLES DEWEY,
FRED E. SMITH,
WM. H. COWELL,
GEORGE BRAINERD,
} Lay Delegates.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, NORTHFIELD.

Date of organization of Parish, 1851.
Date of admission into union with the Convention, 1859.

REV. GEO. J. SUTHERLAND, Priest in charge.
Assumed charge as Priest, June 13th, 1894.

Families 39, number of persons 101; Baptisms—adults 5, infants 7, total 12; Confirmations—male 8, female 8, total 16; Marriages 2, Burials 6; Communicants—number reported last year 60, received from other cures 2, admitted 16, died 4, removed 13, present number (Easter, 1895), male 25, female 36, total 61; number that have received Holy Communion during the past year 40; Sunday School—teachers 6, pupils 50; Church services—two each Sunday; week days, 64, not including Holy Communion on Holy days; Celebrations of Holy Communion 40; Sermons and lectures 150; public catechizings, 1st Sunday evening of the month instead of sermon.

The Ladies' Circle earned $266.64, St. Mary's Guild $143, The Prince's Boys $26.58 during the past year. The most of this is deposited in the Savings bank for future use.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1857, consecrated 1857; value, including furnishing, etc., $5,000; insured for $4,000; titled vested in Trustees of the Diocese; Rectory, erected or purchased 1889; value, including fixtures, $2,500; insured for $1,500; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese; endowment funds, total amount, $1,100; cash funds held by the Trustees of the Diocese; other prop-

erty $1,000; insured for $500; total value of all parish property $9,600.

INDEBTEDNESS of the parish, $500. The salary promised the Rector is $700 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Balance from last year,	$ 2.78	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$700.00
Rents and other income of parish endowment,	220.83	For church music,	59.00
Annual subscriptions,	85.25	For care of church, etc.,	88.59
Offerings made in church,	398,17	Insurance,	19.63
Special gifts of parishioners.	60.00	Diocesan assessments,	15.00
Board of Land Agents,	75.00	Paid deficit of last year,	6.96
Other aid from without the parish,	50.00	All other disbursements,	2.85
Total income,	$892.03	Total disbursed,	$892.03

PARISH OFFICERS.

DR. GEORGE NICHOLS, Senior Warden.

T. A. WILEY, Junior Warden.

FRANK L. HOWE, Secretary of the Vestry.

DR. GEORGE NICHOLS, Treasurer of the Vestry.

DR. GEORGE NICHOLS, T. A. WILEY, J. C. B. THAYER, J. H. EGERTON, FRANK L. HOWE, WM. GAWEY, F. N. WHITNEY, Vestrymen.

FRED N. WHITNEY, FRANK L. HOWE, } Lay Delegates.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, POULTNEY.

Date of organization of Parish, 1824.

Date of admission into union with the Convention, 1824.

REV. EDWARD H. RANDALL, Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector, First Sunday in Advent, 1869.

Instituted, June 11, 1871.

J. ROSS ROBERTS, Middletown Springs, Licensed Lay Reader.

Confirmations—male 8, female 17, total 25; Marriages 3; Burials 6; Communicants—number reported last year 137 (by error) admitted 25, removed to other cures 11, dropped 3, suspended 1, present number (Easter, 1895), male 23, female 96,total 119; Sunday School—teachers 5, pupils 40; Church Services—Sundays 126, weekdays 26; Celebrations of Holy Communion, 55, twice per month and greater festivals Sermons and lectures 95, addresses 46.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of St. John's Church, erected 1831, consecrated 1833; value, including furnishing, etc., $4,000; no insurance; title vested in Wardens and Vestry. Trinity Church, erected 1868, consecrated 1868; value, including fixtures, $6,000; insured for $2,500; title vested in Wardens and Vestry. Other property, school house, $1,000; no insurance. Total value of all parish property, $11,000.

INDEBTEDNESS of the parish, $200. The salary promised to the Rector is $800 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Rents,	$ 60.00	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$800.00
Annual subscriptions,	212.00	For church music,	26.25
Offerings made in church,	441.46	For care of church, etc.,	25.00
Parish Aid Society,	107.73	Insurance,	8.33
Board of Land Agents,	95.00	Diocesan assessments,	35.00
Other aid from without the parish,	10.00	Fuel,	51.61
Other sources,	65.00	Increase or improvement of property,	45.00
Total income,	$991.19	Total disbursed,	$991,19

PARISH OFFICERS.

S. B. WOODWORTH, Senior Warden.

W. B. PRINDLE, Junior Warden.

S. B. WOODWORTH, Secretary of the Vestry.

A. E. HORTON, Treasurer of the Vestry.

S. B. WOODWORTH, E. D. ELLIS, M. D., W. B. PRINDLE, E. J. BOYCE,
A. E. HORTON, Vestrymen,

SETH B. WOODWORTH,
ARTHUR E. HORTON,
EDWARD D. ELLIS, } Lay Delegates.

GRACE CHURCH, RANDOLPH CENTRE.

Date of organization of Parish, 1884.
Date of admission into union with the Convention, 1885.

THE REV. HOMER WHITE, S. T. D., Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, April 9, 1893.

Licensed Lay Reader, 1.

Families 16, number of persons 50; Baptisms—adults 2, infants 2, total 4; Confirmations—female 6; Marriage 1; Burial 1; Communicants—number reported last year 33; received from other cures 2; admitted 6; present number (Easter, 1895), male 8, female 33, total 41; number that have received Holy Communion during the past year 34; Sunday School—teachers 3, pupils 15; number of youth within the cure pursuing liberal studies with a view to the Ministry 2, Church Services—Sundays 47; week days 8; Celebrations of Holy Communion 10, the second Sunday in the month; Sermons and lectures 45.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 848, consecrated 1848, value, including furnishings, etc., 3,000, insured for $2,000, title vested in the Bishop as 'rustee. No Rectory. Endowment funds, total amount 600. The Kinsman Fund $500, the Olivia Gay Fund $100, ontrolled by the Vestry. Total of all parish property 3,600.

NO INDEBTEDNESS. The salary promised to the Rector ; $400.

INCOME of the parish for the year—	
Balance from last year,	$50.00
Rents and other income of parish endowment,	30.00
Annual subscriptions,	115.00
Offerings made in church,	41.00
From the Diocesan Board of Missions,	168.75
Board of Land Agents,	75.00
Other sources,	9.00
Total income,	$488 75

EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$400.00
For church music,	5.00
For care of church, etc.,	35.00
Insurance,	7.50
Diocesan assessments,	36.00
Total disbursed,	$483.50
Surplus,	5.25
	$488.75

PARISH OFFICERS.

JAMES C. FARGO, Senior Warden.

WILLIAM E. BLODGETT, Junior Warden.

HENRY C. GILBERT, Secretary of the Vestry.

JAMES W. FARGO, Treasurer of the Vestry.

AMES C. FARGO, MELZAR WOODBURY, LUKE PARISH, WM. E. BLODGETT, HENRY C. GILBERT, H. CLOSSON GILBERT, GEORGE B. GILBERT, Vestrymen.

LUKE PARISH, Lay Delegate.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, RANDOLPH.

Date of organization of Parish Sept. 22, 1869.
Date of admission into union with the Convention, 1870.

REV. HOMER WHITE, S. T. D., Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, April 9, 1893.

JOS. D. DENISON, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 30, number of persons 74; Baptisms—adults 2; Confirmations—male 1, female 1, total 2; Marriages 4; Burials 4; Communicants—number reported last year 62, received from other cures 2, admitted 2, died 2, removed 8, present number (Easter, 1895), male 14, female 42, total 56; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 51; Sunday Schools—teachers 3, pupils 18; Church services—Sundays 53, week days 10; Celebration of Holy Communion 11, first Sunday in the month and Christmas; Sermons and lectures 60.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1867, consecrated 1869; value, including furnishing, etc., $2,000; insured for $1,500; title vested in the Bishop of the Diocese; total value of all parish property $2,000.

No INDEBTEDNESS. The salary promised to the Rector is $600 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Annual subscriptions,	$600.00	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$600.00
Offerings made in church,	32.00	For church music,	52.00
Board of Land Agents,	75.00	For care of church, etc.,	38 00
		Insurance,	7.00
		Diocesan assessments,	15.00
Total income,	$707.00	Total disbursed,	$707.00

LEWIS P. THAYER, Senior Warden.

JOSEPH D. DENISON, Junior Warden.

JOHN W. BURT, Secretary of the Vestry.

EDWARD L. SOPER, Treasurer of the Vestry.

J. B. PUTNAM, J. W. GABRIELLE, J. W. HALE, M. L. SCOTT, W. E. MARTIN, J. F. HOBART, J. F. PARSONS, Vestrymen.

J. W. GABRIELLE, JOEL. B. PUTNAM, } Lay Delegates.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, ROYALTON.

Date of organization of Parish, May 4, 1836.
Date of admission into union with the Convention, 1836.

REV. JOSEPH. B. TREVETT, M. D., Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector. June 1, 1894.

Families 14, number of persons 48; Baptisms—adult 1, infant 1, total 2; Confirmations—female 2; Marriage 1; Burial 1; Communicants—number reported last year 29, admitted 2, present number (Easter, 1895)—male 7, female 24, total 31; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year, 31; Church Services—Sundays 43, week days 12; Celebrations of Holy Communion 12, the fourth Sunday in each month; Sermons and lectures 55. A Sunday School has been organized.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1837, consecrated 1837; value, including furnishing, etc.,

$1,200; insured for $1,000; title vested in the parish. No Rectory. Total value of all parish property, $1,200.

INDEBTEDNESS, none. The salary promised the Rector is $150 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Balance from last year,	$ 8.02	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$150.00
Annual subscriptions.	10.00	Diocesan assessments,	18.00
Offerings made in church,	132.50	Mission deficiency,	2.00
Board of Land Agents,	60.00	All other disbursements,	19.42
Other aid from without the parish, being Ministerial fund from town,	13.27	Total disbursed,	$189.42
		Surplus,	34.37
Total income.	$223.79		$223.79

PARISH OFFICERS.

DUDLEY C. DENISON, Senior Warden.

ARTHUR G. WHITHAM, Junior Warden.

DUDLEY C. DENISON, Secretary of the Vestry.

CHARLES H. WOODARD, Treasurer of the Vestry.

ARTHUR G. WHITHAM, DUDLEY C. DENISON, } Lay Delegates.

TRINITY CHURCH, RUTLAND.

Date of organization of Parish, 1832.

Date of admission into union with the Convention, 1832.

REV. CHARLES MARTIN NILES, S. T. B., Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector, February 23, 1890.

EDWARD LOWE TEMPLE, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 219, number of persons 943; Baptisms—adults 8, infants 33, total 41; Confirmations - male 9, female 16, total 25; Marrages 12, Burials 20; Communicants—number

reported last year 583; received from other cures 2; admitted 26; died 2; removed 9; present number (Easter, 1895), male 183, female 417, total 600; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 471; Sunday School —teachers 13, pupils 171; number of youth within the cure pursuing liberal studies with a view to the ministry 3; Church Services—Sundays, Holy Communion, morning and evening prayer with sermons; week days, evening prayer daily; Celebrations of Holy Communion 131; every Sunday and Holy Day, all Thursdays, twice on first Sunday of the month and great festivals; Sermons and lectures two on Sunday, weekly in Lent; Public catechizings first Sunday in the month.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1863, consecrated 1865; value, including furnishings, etc., $50,000; insured for $22,000; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Rectory purchased 1882; value, including fixtures $8,000; insured for $4,000; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Endowment funds $1,555; in hands of J. N. Woodfin, treasurer of Trinity parish for parish house $1,495; for endowment $60; total value of all parish property $59,555.

INDEBTEDNESS of the parish, $434.36. The salary promised to the Rector is $1,800.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Balance from last year,	$ 90.63	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$1,500.00
Pew rents,	3,334.38	For church music,	950.79
Offerings made in church,	184.50	For care of church, etc.,	634.99
Special gifts of Parishioners, Easter offering,	547.07	Diocesan assessments,	125.00
Other offerings,	968.00	Interest on debts,	81.00
		Reduction of debts,	713.50
		Paid deficit of last year,	854.82
		All other disbursements,	243.86
		Total disbursed,	$5,103.96
		Surplus,	20.62
Total income,	$5,124 58		$5,124.58

PARISH OFRICERS.

GEO. R. BOTTUM, Senior Warden.

LEVI G. KINGSLEY, Junior Warden.

ORLANDO WOOSTER, Secretary of the Vestry.

JOHN N. WOODFIN, Treasurer of the Vestry.

GEO. R. BOTTUM, LEVI G. KINGSLEY, ORLANDO WOOSTER, BENJ. H BURT, EDW. L. TEMPLE, CHAS. E. ROSS, JOHN N. WOODFIN, GEO. T. CHAFFEE, HUGH H. BAXTER, Vestrymen.

GEO. R. BOTTUM,
JOHN N. WOODFIN,
EDWARD L. TEMPLE,
GEO. T. CHAFFEE,
CHAS. E. ROSS,
L. G. KINGSLEY,
} Lay Delegates.

GRACE CHURCH, WEST RUTLAND.

Date of organization of Parish, 1859.
Date of admission into union with the Convention, 1860.

THE REV. WILLIAM JAMES HARRIS, Diocesan Missionary, in charge.

MR. EDSON P. GILSON, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 13, number of persons 45; Baptisms—infants 3, Confirmations--female 2; Marriage 1; Burials 2; Communicants—number reported last year 35; admitted 2; died 2; removed to other cures 2; present number (Easter, 1895), male 9, female 24, total 33; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 30; Sunday School—teachers 2, pupils 16; Church Services—Sundays 53, week days 2; Celebrations of Holy Communion 9, usually once in two months; Sermons and Lectures 11, and 42 read by the Lay Reader. Mr. E. P. Gilson has continued his very ac-

ceptable services as Lay Reader through the year, the Diocesan Missionary going once in two months on a Sunday morning, especially for the Holy Communion, sometimes holding an evening service also, and going to Proctor for the afternoon, being conveyed thither at the expense of Grace Church. The death of Mr. E. Tremayne was a great blow to the little parish.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1878, consecrated 1879, value, including furnishing, etc., $2,700, insured for $1,800, title vested in the Vestry. Rectory, erected, or purchased 1883, value, including fixtures $4,000, insured for $2,000, title vested in Vestry. Total value of all Parish property $6,700.

INDEBTEDNESS $439.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Balance from last year,	$ 3.98	For care of church, etc.,	$ 20.00
Offerings made in church,	228.55	Insurance,	25.20
Other sources, rent of Rectory,	150.00	Diocesan assessments,	3.00
		Interest on debts,	28.35
		Reduction of debts,	92.00
		Reported by the Rector,	181.06
		All other disbursements,	18.23
		Total disbursed,	$367.84
		Surplus,	14.69
Total income,	$382.53		$382.53

PARISH OFFICERS.

WILLIAM W. FELT, Senior Warden.

DAVID PETERS, Junior Warden.

WILLIAM W. FELT, Secretary of the Vestry.

WILLIAM W. FELT, Treasurer of the Vestry.

WILLIAM W. WHEELER, EDWIN C. MCKELSEY, DAVID PETERS, HENRY HARMON, WILLIAM W. FELT, Vestrymen.

EDWIN C. MCKELSEY, Lay Delegate.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, ST. ALBANS.

Date of organization of Parish, 1816.

Date of Admission into union with the Convention, 1816.

REV. A. B. FLANDERS. D. D., Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector, June 1, 1888.

Families 213, number of persons 784; Baptisms—adults 7, infants 32, total 29; Confirmations—male 4, female 10, total 14; Marriages 15; Burials 19; Communicants—number reported last year 428, received from other cures 6, admitted 14, died 4, removed 4, dropped or suspended 7, present number (Easter, 1895)—male 162, female 271, total 433; Sunday School—teachers 16, pupils 180; Church Services 162—Sundays twice, week days once, except in Lent, then every day, and on all Saints' Days when they occur on week days; Celebrations of Holy Communion 69, every Sunday morning, twice on Christmas and Easter, Thursdays in Lent, on all the greater Saints' Days; Sermons and lectures, two every Sunday, two in each week in Lent, two on Good Friday, one on the greater festival days; Public catechizings every first Sunday in the month or oftener, last year somewhat irregular.

LAY DELEGATE'S REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1860, consecrated 1861; value, including furnishings, etc., $25,000; insured for $11,000; title vested in St. Luke's Church. Rectory erected, 1874; value, including fixtures, $6,000; insured for $2,500; title vested in St. Luke's

parish. Endowment fund, total amount, $2,000; under Hiram Bellow's will, F. W. Hyde, trustee; total value of all parish property, $33,000.

INDEBTEDNESS of the parish—mortgages on property, $3,000; unpaid diocesan assessments, $72; all other debts of the parish, $397.77; total indebtedness, $3,469.77. The salary promised to the Rector is $1,500 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		TOTAL EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Balance from last year,	$ 106 82	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$1,625.00
Annual subscriptions,	3,167.56	For church music,	120.25
Offerings made in church,	381.24	For care of church, etc.,	227.29
Other sources,	1,011.68	Insurance,	33.97
		Diocesan assessments,	100.00
		Interest on debts,	150.00
		Reduction of debts,	573.73
		Increase or improvement of property,	1,665.64
		All other disbursements	67.43
		Total disbursed,	$4,563.31
		Surplus,	103.99
Total income,	$4,667.30		$4,667.30

PARISH OFFICERS.

MYRON W. BAILEY, Senior Warden.

JAMES M. FOSS, Junior Warden.

MYRON W. BUCK, Secretary of the Vestry.

GEORGE J. RUGG, Treasurer of the Vestry.

MYRON W. BAILEY, JAMES M. FOSS, JOHN C. STRANAHAN, F. W. BALDWIN, C. A. SEARLES, E. H. LEWIS, G. J. RUGG, MYRON W. BUCK, Vestrymen.

MYRON W. BAILEY, Lay Delegate.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, ST. JOHNSBURY.

Date of organization of Parish, November 18, 1876.
Date of admission into union with the Convention, 1877.

Rev. Frank Appleton, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, December 14, 1892.

Families 96; Baptisms—adults 3, infants 8, total 11; Confirmations—male 6, female 18, total 24; Marriages 9; Burials 9; Communicants—number reported last year 197, received from other cures 18, admitted 16, died 2, removed 10, present number (Easter, 1895)—male 74, female 145, total 219; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year—from 160 to 170; Sunday School—teachers 11, pupils 90; Church Services—Sundays 10.30 A. M., 5 P. M.; week days, Wednesdays 7.30 P. M.; Celebrations of Holy Communion, 22, first Sunday of each month, St. Andrew's Day and greater festivals; Sermons and lectures—sermons Sundays at 10.30 and 5, lecture on Wednesday evenings.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

The Property of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1878, consecrated Aug. 3, 1881; value, including furnishings, etc., $15,000; insured for $10,000; title vested in the Trustees of the Diocese. Value of Rectory, including fixtures, $2,500; insured for $1,500; title vested in St. Andrew's Church and Parish; Endowment funds, total amount, $1,500; Other property, tenement house, $1,500; insured for $1,000; Total value of all parish property, $20,500.

Indebtedness, none. The salary promised to the Rector is $1,000 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Balance from last year,	$ 83.71	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$1,000.00
Rents,	223.56	For church music,	397.67
Annual subscriptions,	1,252.54	For care of church, etc.,	174.18
Offerings made in church,	116.24	Insurance,	24.14
Special gifts of parishioners, offering for former debt,	307.80	Diocesan assessments,	54.00
Rector's Aid Society for debt,	211.75	Diocesan missions,	25.64
Offertory Diocesan missions,	25.64	Reduction of debts,	397.48
Hopkins fund,	25.00	Increase or improvement of property,	223.56
Howard fund,	60.00	Total disbursed,	$2,296.67
Town Ministerial fund,	12.38	Surplus,	21.95
Total income,	$2,318.62		$2,318.62

PARISH OFFICERS.

ELIJAH D. BLODGETT, Senior Warden.

W. S. BOYNTON, Junior Warden.

P. F. BLODGETT, Secretary of the Vestry.

H. W. BLODGETT, Treasurer of the Vestry.

C. T. BRIGHAM,
GEO. F. CUSHMAN,
L. P. HARRIMAN,
JAMES RITCHIE, JR.
} Lay Delegates.

TRINITY CHURCH, SHELBURNE.

Date of admission into union with the Convention, June 17, 1891.

REV. BENJAMIN W. ATWELL, Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector, July 5, 1891.

Families 38, number of persons 118; Baptisms—infants 2; Confirmations—male 2, female 2, total 4; Marriages 3; Burials 3; Communicants—number reported last year 65, received from other cures 2, admitted 6, died 1, present number (Easter, 1895), male 27, female 45, total 72; Sunday

School—teachers 3, pupils 24; Church Services—Sunday 67, week days 32; Celebrations of Holy Communion—the first Sunday of the month and Saints' Days; Sermons and lectures 80; Public catechizings, monthly.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT:

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1885, consecrated 1886; value, including furnishing, etc., £20,000; insured for $15,000; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. No Rectory. Total value of all parish property, $20,000.

INDEBTEDNESS, none. The salary promised the Rector is $1,500 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Balance from last year,	$ 15.20	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$1,500.00
Annual subscriptions,	2,115.00	For church music,	70.50
Offerings made in church,	500.29	For care of church, etc.,	165.00
Other aid from without the parish,	32.50	Diocesan assessments,	15.00
		All other disbursements,	141.98
		Total disbursed,	$2,530.48
		Surplus,	132.51
	$2,662.99		$2,662.99

PARISH OFFICERS.

WALTER A. WEED, Senior Warden.

DR. W. SEWARD WEBB, Junior Warden.

HON. JOHN L. BARSTOW, Secretary of the Vestry.

WM. H. TYLER, Treasurer of the Vestry.

ORVILLE A. SPEAR, LA FAYETTE LYON, FRANK SPEAR, Vestrymen.

WALTER A. WEED,
DR. W. SEWARD WEBB. } Lay Delegates.

GRACE CHURCH, SHELDON.

Date of organization of Parish, 1816.

THE REV. GEORGE ALOYSIUS WILKINS, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, October 1, 1894.

JOHN H. WHITTEMORE, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 21, number of persons 64; Burial 1; Communicants—number reported last year 37, died 1, present number (Easter, 1895), male 8, female 28, total 36; number that have received Holy Communion since October 1st, 22; Sunday School—teachers 2, pupils 15; Church Services—Sundays 26, week days 12; Celebrations of Holy Communion 10, second Sunday in month 6, Holy Days 4; Sermons and lectures 40; Public catechizings 8.

LAY DELEGATE'S REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 18—, consecrated 1825, value, including furnishing, etc., $2,100, no insurance, title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. No Rectory reported. Endowment funds, total amount $1,100, Grace Church Fund $1,000, Grace Church Organ Fund $100, held by the Trustees of the Diocese. Total value of all Parish property $3,200.

No INDEBTEDNESS. The salary promised to the Rector is $400 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Balance from last year,	$ 25.75	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$132.00
Rents and other income of Parish Endowment,	20.00	For church music,	6.00
Annual subscriptions,	37.00	For care of church, etc.,	44.15
Offerings made in church,	27.06	Insurance,	15.30
Special gifts of Parishioners	5.07	Diocesan assessments,	15.00
From the Diocesan Board of Missions,	50.00	Increase or improvement of property,	4.70
Board of Land Agents,	45.00	Total disbursed,	$217.15
Other sources,	16.00	Surplus,	8.73
Total income,	$225.88		$225 88

PARISH OFFICERS.

CHARLES H. WHITTEMORE, Senior Warden.

JACOB H. STUFFLEBEAN, Junior Warden.

CYRUS R. KEITH, Secretary of the Vestry.

CYRUS R. KEITH, Treasurer of the Vestry.

JACOB H. STUFFLEBEAN, JOHN H. WHITTEMORE, CHARLES H. WHITTEMORE, SAMUEL B. GREEN, CYRUS R. KEITH, Vestrymen.

J. H. STUFFLEBEAN, Lay Delegate.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, SWANTON.

Date of organization of Parish, November 3, 1867.

Date of admission into union with Convention, June 3, 1868.

REV. FREDERIC M. GARLAND, Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector, March 1st, 1895.

CHARLES H. REYNOLDS, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 34, number of persons 130; Baptisms—adults 4, infants 7, total 11; Confirmations—male 2, female 8, total 10; Burials 3; Communicants—number reported last year 45, received from other cures 2, admitted 10, died 1, present number (Easter, 1895) male 10, female 46, total 56; Sunday School—teachers 6, pupils 48; number of youth within the cure pursuing liberal studies with a view to the ministry, 1; Church Services—Sundays 20, week days 36; Celebrations of Holy Communion 11 (one in private), Holy Communion is celebrated on every Sunday and Holy Day; Sermons and lectures 26; Public catechizings 2. These are the records of services and sermons since March 1, 1895.

LAY DELEGATE'S REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1876, consecrated 1889; value, including furnishing, etc., $2,000; insured for $1,300. No Rectory. Total value of all parish property, $2,000.

INDEBTEDNESS, none. The salary promised to the Rector is $900.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Balance from last year,	$42.28	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$349.20
Annual subscriptions,	282.85	For care of church,	22.00
Offerings made in church,	96.45	Diocesan assessments,	19.30
		All other disbursements,	31.08
Total income,	$421.58	Total disbursed,	$421.58

PARISH OFFICERS.

HENRY A. BURT, Senior Warden.

CHARLES H. REYNOLDS, Junior Warden.

HENRY M. STONE, Secretary of the Vestry.

HENRY M. STONE, Treasurer of the Vestry.

HENRY A. BURT, CHARLES H. REYNOLDS, HENRY A. BURT, JR., HENRY M. STONE, FRANK S. PIERCE, Vestrymen.

HENRY M. STONE, Lay Delegate.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, VERGENNES.

Date of organization of Parish, 1811.

REV. EDMUND BANKS SMITH, Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector, All Saints' Day, 1891.

CHARLES E. PARKER, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 46; number of persons 187; Baptisms—adults 2; infants 6, total 8; Comfirmations—male 7, female 7, total 14; Marriages 2; Burials 3; Communicants—number reported

last year 99; admitted 14; dropped or suspended 1; present number (Easter, 1895), male 57; female 64; total 121; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 101; Sunday School—teachers 6; pupils 50; Church Services—Sundays 186; week days 201; Celebrations of Holy Communion 162, Holy Communion every Sunday, Holy Day, Saint's Day and Friday of the year, two celebrations on 39 Sundays of the year; Sermons and lectures, frequent. Memorial gifts—a pair of mortuary candlesticks, a brass receiving basin.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1834, consecrated 1835, value, including furnishings, etc., $8,000, insured for $7,000, title vested in Episcopal Society in Vergennes. Rectory, purchased 1890, value, including fixtures $5,000, insured for $4,600, title vested in Wardens and Vestry of St. Paul's Church, Vergennes, Vt. Endowment funds, total amount, $5,500, entire amount held by Cyrus A. Booth, trustee. Total value of all parish property $18,500.

INDEBTEDNESS, none. The salary promised to the Rector is $1,000 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Rents and other income of parish endowment,	$ 320.75	By balance (overdrawn)	$ 259.9
Annual subscriptions,	75.00	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	1,000.0
Offerings made in church,	1,121.27	For church music,	108.1
Easter offering,	86.21	For care of church, etc.,	307.4
Other sources, rents from office, barn, pasture, etc.,	220.00	Diocesan assessments	24.0
		Interest on debts,	10.5
		All other disbursements, repairs on Rectory,	43.3
		Total disbursed,	$1,753.3
		Surplus,	69.9
Total income,	$1,823.23		$1,823.2

PARISH OFFICERS.

CYRUS A. BOOTH, Senior Warden.

CHARLES E. PARKER, Junior Warden.

NICHOLAS J. MCCUNN, Secretary of the Vestry.

SPENCER W. HINDES, Treasurer of the Vestry.

CYRUS A. BOOTH, CHAS. E. PARKER, NICHOLAS J. MCCUNN, SPENCER W. HINDES, D. H. LEWIS, E. W. SHIPMAN, W. W. BOOTH, C. T. WARNER, C. W. SEIPLE, C. A. CHAPMAN, H. T. BOOTH, Vestrymen.

CHAS. E. PARKER,
SPENCER W. HINDES,
D. H. LEWIS,
ELLIOTT W. SHIPMAN,
} Lay Delegates.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WELLS.

Date of organization of Parish, 1827.

THE REV. EDWARD H. RANDALL, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, 1878.

Burials 2; Communicants—number reported last year 20, died 1; present number (Easter, 1895), male 1, female 18, total 19; Church Services—Sundays, usually twice per month; Sermons and lectures ; at every service a sermon.

LAY DELEGATE'S REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1840, consecrated 1842; value, including furnishings, etc., $1,000; no insurance; title vested in Wardens and Vestry. No Rectory. Endowment funds, total amount $675, O. R. Hopson, trustee, he being the only male communicant in the parish. Total value of all parish property, $1,675.

NO INDEBTEDNESS. The salary promised to the Rector is $200 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Income of parish endowment,	$ 40.50	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$198.35
Annual subscriptions,	89.85	For care of church, etc.,	5.00
From the Diocesan Board of Missions,	50.00	Diocesan assessments,	7.00
Board of Land Agents,	30.00		
Total income,	$210.35	Total disbursed,	$210.35

PARISH OFFICERS.

O. R. HOPSON, Senior Warden.

O. R. HOPSON, Secretary of the Vestry.

O. R. HOPSON, Treasurer of the Vestry.

OLIVER R. HOPSON, Vestryman.

OLIVER R. HOPSON, Lay Delegate.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WINDSOR.

Date of organization of Parish, December, 1816.

REV. EDWARD N. GODDARD, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, April, 1879.

MR. EDWARD BROWN, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families about 40; Baptisms—infant 5; Confirmations—male 1, female 6, total 7; Marriages 2; Burials 7; Communicants—number reported last year 74, received from other cures 2, admitted 7, removed 1, dropped 3, present number (Easter, 1895), male 21, female 58, total 79; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 65; Sunday School—teachers 3, pupils 20; Church

Services—Sundays 137, week days 82; Celebrations of Holy Communion 55, all Sundays and some chief Holy Days; Sermons and lectures 120; Public catechizings—all Sundays.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1819-21, consecrated 1822; value, including furnishings, etc., $8,000; insured for $6,000; title vested in Wardens and Vestry. Rectory, purchased 1860; value, including fixtures, $2,500; insured for $1,800; title vested in Wardens and Vestry. Endowment funds, total amount, $565, held by Trustees of the Diocese; other property, a fund of $1,000. Total value of all parish property $12,065.

NO INDEBTEDNESS.

INCOME of the parish for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Balance from last year,	$ 40.69	Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$ 563.63
Rents and other income of Parish Endowment,	28.24	For church music,	130.41
Annual subscriptions,	220.00	For care of church, etc.,	143.37
Offerings made in Church.	514.66	Insurance,	1.25
Special gifts of Parishioners:		Diocesan assessments,	15.00
Subscription for Rectory repairs.	387.50	Increase or improvement of property.	349 56
Sisters of Bethany for Choir,	61.00	All other disbursements,	8.00
Mrs. Beaman, for choir,	25 00	Total disbursed,	$1,211.22
Board of Land Agents,	50.00	Surplus,	120.42
Other sources,	14,55		
Total income,	$1,331.64		$1,331.64

PARISH OFFICERS.

HENRY D. STONE, Senior Warden.

EDWARD BROWN, Junior Warden.

EDWARD M GODDARD, Secretary of the Vestry.

HENRY L. WILLIAMS, Treasurer of the Vestry.

EDWARD A. WARDNER, CHARLES H. INGALLS, DEANE RICHMOND, SAMUEL A. REED, GEORGE M. STONE, Vestrymen.

HENRY D. STONE,
CHAS. H. INGALLS, } Lay Delegates.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, WOODSTOCK

Date of organization of Parish, March 27, 1826.

Date of admission into union with the Convention June 28, 1826.

REV. FRANCIS WYMAN SMITH, Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector, November 1, 1877.

Families 38, number of persons 130; Baptisms—adults 2, infants 3, total 5; Confirmations—male 1, female 3, total 4; Marriages 2; Burials 6; Communicants—number reported last year 61, received from other cures 3, admitted 4, removed 1, present number (Easter, 1895,) male 18, female 48, total 66; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 55; Sunday School—teachers 4; pupils 38; Church Services—Sundays, morning and evening, week days, in Lent and during the summer; Celebrations of Holy Communion 16, on the first Sunday in month and on greater festivals.

Twelve copies of the Church Hymnal, with music, have been presented to the Choir by T. E. Kilner, Esq., of New York.

A stained glass window has been placed in the church as a memorial of the Rev. Joel Clapp, D. D., founder and first rector of the Parish. The cost was provided for by a bequest from a daughter, the late Miss Mary Clapp.

An Altar Cross and an Altar Desk were presented on Easter Day, by the Misses Hayden, as a memorial of their mother, for many years a communicant of the church.

A furnace has been placed in the Rectory, at an expense of $150; half paid by the Ladies' Association of the Parish, and half by individual contributions.

LAY DELEGATES' REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1827, consecrated Sept. 28, 1828; value, including furnishings, etc., $6,000; insured for $4,000; title vested in Parish. Rectory purchased 1854; value, including fixtures, $2,500; insured for $1,650; title vested in Parish. Endowment funds, total amount $11,000; Lyman Mower fund $8000, A. Stearns fund $1,000, Mrs. R. H. Blake fund $1,000, John Cone fund $500, C. P. Marsh fund $500, total $11,000; Sunday School fund, H. Dunbar fund $400, J. A. Gallup fund $150, total $550, this fund is held by the treasurer of the Parish, J. B. Jones; total value of all Parish property $8,500.

INDEBTEDNESS of the Parish—Borrowed money and interest $266.66. The salary promised to the Rector is $1,000 a year.

INCOME of the parish for the year—	
Balance from last year,	$ 15.84
Rents and other income of parish endowment,	706.82
Pew rents,	5.50
Annual subscriptions,	473.96
Offerings made in church,	278.43
Interest on Sunday School fund,	30.83
Total income,	$1,511.38

EXPENDITURE of the parish—	
Salary paid the Rector during the past year,	$1,000.00
For church music,	15.05
For care of church, etc.,	234.31
Insurance,	46.78
Diocesan assessments,	30.00
Interest of debts,	19.00
Reduction of debts,	95.30
Interest to Sunday school,	30.83
All other disbursements,	3.18
Total disbursed,	$1,474.45
Surplus,	36.93
	$1,511.38

PARISH OFFICERS.

JAMES B. JONES, Senior Warden.

GEO. W. PAUL, Junior Warden.

GEO. W. PAUL, Secretary of the Vestry.

JAMES B. JONES, Treasurer of the Vestry.

A. HATCH, GEO. W. PAUL, C. F. CHAPMAN, J. B. JONES, H. B. CHAPMAN, F. CHAPMAN, HENRY S. MOWER, W. F. JONES, J. R. PEMBER, Vestrymen.

JAMES B. JONES,
CHARLES F. CHAPMAN, } Lay Delegates.

REPORTS OF MISSIONS.

For the Canonical Year from Easter Monday, March 26, 1894, to Easter Monday, April 15, 1895.

THE GOOD SHEPHERD MISSION, BARRE.

Date of organization of Mission, September 21, 1890.

The Rev. Allan D. Brown, Missionary.
Appointed June 22, 1894.

Families 57, number of persons 203; Baptisms—adults 2, infants 13, total 15; Confirmations—male 3, female 3, total 6; Marriages 3; Burial 1; Communicants—number reported last year 51, received from other cures 6, admitted 13, removed 10, present number (Easter, 1895), male 20, female 40, total 60; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 50; Sunday School—teachers 5, pupils 58; number of youth within the cure pursuing liberal studies with a view to the Ministry 1; Church Services—Sundays twice, week days, Christmas Day, Fridays in Lent and twice daily during Holy Week; Celebrations of Holy Communion 13, celebrations monthly by visiting clergy; Sermons and lectures 93; Public catechizings 5. There are upon the register 16 additional names of persons who have been communicants elsewhere, but who have never received here.

LAY DELEGATE'S REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the mission consists of—A lot and two houses, value $7,000, insured for $2,500.

The salary promised to the Minister is $600 a year.

INCOME of the mission for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the mission—	
Balance from last year,	$ 115.80	Salary paid the Ministers during the past year,	$462.55
Rents and other income of mission endowment,	131.25	For church music,	58.00
Offerings made in church,	368.12	For care of church, etc.,	52.00
Special gifts of members of the Congregation through Women's Guild	613.13	Insurance,	5.55
From the Diocesan Board of Missions.	225.00	Diocesan assessments,	26.00
Board of Land Agents,	80.00	Increase or improvement of property,	250.00
Other sources, Town fund	15.90	All other disbursements, rent of hall, fuel and light,	164.02
		Total disbursed,	$1,018.12
		*Surplus,	530.57
Total income,	$1,548.69		$1,548.69

OFFICERS OF THE MISSION.

W. D. REID, Warden.

H. K. BUCK, Secretary.

WILLIAM KELMAN, Treasurer.

The lot was purchased December 1, 1894, by the Bishop with funds placed in his hands for that purpose, in response to his appeal to the Diocese, and is held by him as Trustee.

WILLIAM D. REID, Lay Delegate.

*Surplus is held as follows: Treasurer, $38.76, Women's Guild, $370.56, rental money, $121.25.

THE HOLY CROSS MISSION (GRANITEVILLE), BARRE.

THE REV. ALLAN D. BROWN, Missionary.

Appointed June 22, 1894.

Communicants—number reported last year 15, admitted 2, died 1, removed to other cures 1, present number (Easter,

1895)—male 6, female 9, total 15; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 12; Church Services—Sundays, afternoons until December 23; Celebrations of Holy Communion, six—on occasion of visits of General Missionary, ending with December; Sermons and lectures, 25. Services suspended by request in December, hope to resume them in June. No Lay Delegate has been elected.

THE HOLY CROSS MISSION, CAMBRIDGE.

Date of organization of Mission, May 5, 1889.

REV. GEMONT GRAVES, Missionary.
Appointed May 5, 1889.

SAMUEL E. HANGER, Deacon.
Appointed Nov. 1, 1894.

WM. C. HOPKINS, JR., Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 7, number of persons 20; Communicants—number reported last year 7, present number (Easter, 1895), female 7; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 6; Church Services—Sundays 27; week days, 6; Celebrations of Holy Communion 3; Sermons and lectures 29. The Rev. S. E. Hanger began services as Deacon, here, at Cambridge Centre, Underhill, and Jericho, on the first Sunday in November, 1894.

Total value of all property belonging to the mission, $100.

INCOME of the mission for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the mission—	
Offerings made in church,	$32.76	Salary paid the Minister during the past year,	$105.71
Special gifts of members of the congregation,	3.05	For rent, etc.,	20.00
From the Diocesan Board of Missions,	81.26	Diocesan assessments,	9.34
Other aid from without the mission, St. Paul's, Burlington, Sunday School, for rent,	35.00	All other disbursements,	8.52
Other sources, town fund,	6.50	Total disbursed,	$143.57
		Surplus,	$15.00
Total income,	$158.57		$158.57

THE HOLY APOSTLES MISSION, CAMBRIDGE CENTRE,

(P. O. JEFFERSONVILLE).

Date of organization of Mission, March 14, 1858.

REV. GEMONT GRAVES, Missionary.

Appointed November, 1875.

REV. SAMUEL E. HANGER, Deacon.

Appointed November 1, 1894.

WM. C. HOPKINS, JR., Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 5, number of persons 10; Baptisms—infant 1; Communicants—number reported last year 4, present number (Easter, 1895), female 4; Number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 4; Church Services—Sundays 13; Celebrations of Holy Communion, 2, Sermons and lectures, 11.

Value of all property belonging to the mission, $40.

THE INDEBTEDNESS of the Mission—unpaid diocesan assessments, $7.50. The salary promised to the Minister is the offertory.

INCOME of the mission for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the mission—	
Offerings made in church,	$15.85	Salary paid the Minister during the past year,	$78.28
From the Diocesan Board of Missions,	60.43	Diocesan assessments,	4.50
Other sources, town fund,	6.50		
Total income,	$82.78	Total disbursed,	$82.78

CHRIST CHURCH MISSION, FAIRFAX,

(P. O., BUCK HOLLOW.)

Date of organization of Mission, May, 8, 1885.

REV. GEMONT GRAVES, Missionary.

Appointed October, 1875.

FRED A. WHEELER, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families and parts 23, number of persons 55; Burials 2; Communicants—number reported last year 22, died 2, removed to other cures 3, present number (Easter, 1895), male 7, female 10, total 17; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 17; Sunday School—teachers 1, pupils 6; Church services—Sundays 31, week days 2; Celebrations of Holy Communion 11, monthly; sermons and lectures 32.

LAY DELEGATE'S REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of—Church, erected 1860, consecrated 1861; value, including furnishings, etc., $2,000; insured for $1,300; title vested in the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont. Parsonage, erected or purchased, 1868; value, including fixtures, $1,800; in

sured for $1,100; title vested in the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont; endowment funds, total amount, $1,000, being "The Andrew Buck Fund," held in trust by the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont; other property, barn and shed, $200; insured for $100. Total value of all property belonging to the Mission $5,000.

NO INDEBTEDNESS. The salary promised to the Minister is $100 a year, or the amount of subscriptions.

INCOME of the mission for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the mission—	
Rents other income of mission endowments,	$ 75.00	Salary paid the Minister during the past year,	176.17
Annual subscriptions,	31.50	For care of church, etc.,	28.00
Offerings made in church,	37.77	Insurance,	10.60
Special gifts of members of the congregation,	3.00	Diocesan assessments,	26.67
From the Diocesan Board of Missions,	50.00	Increase or improvement of property,	57.25
Board of Land Agents,	70.00	All other disbursements,	42.08
By Woman's Auxiliary,	73.50		
	$340.77	Total disbursed,	$340.77

OFFICERS OF THE MISSION.

ANDREW BUCK, NOBLE H. BUCK, Wardens.

The Missionary, Secretary.

D. BUCK, Treasurer.

The above Minister's salary includes what was given also for lay-reading.

DOUGLAS S. BUCK, Lay Delegate.

EMMANUEL MISSION, GEORGIA.

(P. O., EAST GEORGIA.)

Date of organization of Mission, June 20, 1872.

REV. GEMONT GRAVES, Missionary.

Appointed May, 1880.

WM. C. HOPKINS, JR., THEO. E. HOPKINS, Licensed Lay Readers.

Families and parts 13, number of persons 40; Baptisms—infant 1; Burial 1; Communicants—number reported last year 9, present number (Easter, 1895), female 9; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 9; Sunday School—teachers 2, pupils 8; Church services—Sundays 37, week days 7; Celebrations of Holy Communion, 6; Sermons and lectures 41.

THE PROPERTY of the mission consists of—Church, erected 1871-2, consecrated 1872; value, including furnishings, etc., $3,000; insured for $2,000; title vested in the Bishop of the Diocese; Endowment funds, total amount, $1,500, being Miss Hyde's legacy for the support of the church and mission, Trustee, F. W. Hyde of St. Albans. Other property, shed $150; insured for $100. Total value of all property belonging to the mission, $4,650.

INDEBTEDNESS, none. The salary promised to the Minister is a yearly subscription and some from Miss Hyde's legacy, a year.

INCOME of the mission for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the mission—	
Balance from last year,	$85.13	Salary paid the Minister during the past year,	$185.74
Rents and other income of mission endowment,	75.00	For care of church, etc.,	14.00
Annual subscriptions,	30.00	Diocesan assessments,	14.06
Offerings made in church,	24.80	Increase or improvement of property,	33.00
Sundries,	1.00	All other disbursements and lay reading,	39.37
From the Diocesan Board of Missions,	42.25		
Board of Land Agents,	70.00	Total disbursed,	$286.17
Other sources, Woman's Auxiliary,	33.00	Surplus,	75.01
Total income,	$361.18		$361.18

CALVARY MISSION, JERICHO.

Date of organization of Mission, August 16, 1842.

REV. GEMONT GRAVES, Missionary.
Appointed Sept.-Oct., 1875.

SAMUEL E. HANGER, Deacon.
Appointed November 1, 1894.

WM. C. HOPKINS, JR., Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 16, number of persons 37; Baptisms—infant 1; Confirmations—male 3, female 1, total 4; Communicants—number reported last year 12, admitted 4, present number (Easter, 1895), male 5, female 11, total 16; Number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 14; Sunday School—teachers 1, pupils 3; Church Services—Sundays 60, week days 27; Celebrations of Holy Communion, 10; Sermons and lectures, 80. Since our Easter meeting our venerable Senior Warden, S. B. Bliss, has departed this life. He was warden and vestryman for many years, and was much esteemed for worth and ability.

LAY DELEGATE'S REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the mission consists of—Church, erected 1856, consecrated 1857, value, including furnishing, etc., $2,000, insured for $1,500, title vested in Wardens and Vestry. Other property $238. Total value of all property belonging to the Mission $2,238.

NO INDEBTEDNESS.

INCOME of the mission for the year—	
Balance from last year,	$ 44.43
Annual subscriptions,	44.65
Offerings made in church,	72.50
Special gifts of members of the congregation,	2.05
From the Diocesan Board of Missions,	245.97
Other sources, Woman's Auxiliary,	42.31
Total income,	$451.91

EXPENDITURE of the mission—	
Salary paid the Minister and Lay Readers, during the past year,	$377.12
Diocesan assessments,	13.84
Increase or improvement of property,	12.31
All other disbursements,	4.67
Total disbursed,	$407.48
Surplus,	44.43
	$451.91

OFFICERS OF THE MISSION.

S. B. BLISS, Warden.

REV. G. GRAVES, Secretary.

IRA HAWLEY, Treasurer.

IRA HAWLEY, Lay Delegate.

TRINITY MISSION, MILTON.

Date of organization of Mission, 1832.

THE REV. GEMONT GRAVES, Missionary.

Appointed May, 1880.

WM. C. HOPKINS, JR., THEO. E. HOPKINS, Licensed Lay Readers.

Families and parts 21, number of persons 54; Baptisms—infant 1; Marriage 1; Communicants—number reported last year 19; present number (Easter, 1895), male 1, female 18, total 19; number that have received Holy Communion during the past year 17; Sunday School—teachers 2, pupils 7; Church Services—Sundays 42, week days 19; Celebrations of Holy Communion 8 monthly and on festivals; Sermons and lectures 47.

THE PROPERTY of the mission consists of—Church, erected 1891, consecrated 1891; value, including furnishings, etc., $4,000; insured for $3,200; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont.

INDEBTEDNESS, none.

INCOME of the mission for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the mission—	
Annual subscriptions.	$ 77.32	Salary paid the Minister during the past year,	$246.50
Offerings made in church,	66.47	For care of church, etc.,	32.70
Special gifts of members of the congregation,	15.60	Insurance,	13.37
From the Diocesan Board of Missions,	152.18	Diocesan assessments,	20.00
Board of Land Agents,	70.00	Increase or improvement of property,	$116.79
By Woman's Auxiliary,	119.56	All other disbursements,	72.52
Other sources, Easter offerings,	9.00	Total disbursed,	$501.88
		Surplus,	8.25
Total income,	$510.13		$510.13

ST. BARNABAS' MISSION, EAST MIDDLEBURY.

Date of organization of Mission, 1885.

REV. SIMON B. BLUNT, Missionary.

Appointed Advent, 1893.

Families 17, number of persons 78; Baptisms—adults 2 infants 10, total 12; Confirmations—female 2; Marriage 1; Burial 1; Communicants—number reported last year 26; received from other cures 1, admitted 2; removed 1; present number (Easter, 1895), male 5, female 23, total 28; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 28; Sunday School—teachers 4, pupils 45; Church Services—Sundays, Evensong 4 P. M.; week days, every day of the first week after the Epiphany and every day of the week in which St. Barnabas' Day occurs, and Mondays in

Lent; Celebrations of Holy Communion, first Sunday of each month, 7 A. M.; Sermons and lectures; sermons or instruction at all of the above named services; Public catechizings, quarterly.

LAY DELEGATE'S REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the mission consists of—Church, erected 1889, consecrated 1889, value, including furnishings, etc., $2,500; insured for $1,500.

INDEBTEDNESS of the mission—unpaid Diocesan assessments $5.00. The salary promised to the Minister is $100 a year.

INCOME of the mission for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the mission—	
Balance from last year,	$ 19.10	Salary paid the Minister during the past year,	$ 96.00
Offerings made in church,	82.22	For church music,	3.00
Special gifts of members of the congregation,	24.65	Insurance,	5.50
From the Diocesan Board of Missions,	100.00	Diocesan assessments,	5.00
		All other disbursements,	19.51
Total income,	$225.97	Total disbursed,	$129.01

OFFICERS OF THE MISSION.

THOS. REID, JR., Warden.

C. F. PARTRIDGE, Secretary.

N. L. SAUNDERS, Treasurer.

SOLON SUMNER, Lay Delegate.

ST. LUKE'S MISSION, FAIR HAVEN.

Date of organization of Mission, St. Luke's Day, 1887.

REV. JOHN ANKETELL, A. M., Missionary.

Appointed July, 1891.

Families 29, number of persons 121; Baptisms—adult 1, infants 2, total 3; Confirmation—male 4, female 6, total 10; Marriage 1; Burials 2; Communicants—number reported last year 69, received from other cures 2, admitted 2, removed 4, suspended 1, present number (Easter, 1895) male 18, female 50, total 68; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 68; Sunday School—teachers 5, pupils 25; Church Services—Sundays 84, week days 109; Celebrations of Holy Communion 48, 1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays, great Holy Days, Thanksgiving, Ash Wednesday, Holy Week, some lesser Holy Days; Sermons 83, lectures 50 or 60; Public catechizings 12.

A local branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was successfully organized last St. Luke's Day, which has already done good and effective service for the Church.

LAY DELEGATE'S REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the mission consists of—Church, erected 1887, consecrated 1887, value, including furnishings, etc., $5,000, insured for $3,000, title vested in Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont.

NO INDEBTEDNESS.

INCOME of the mission for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the mission—	
Annual subscriptions, Rector's salary,	$342.52	Salary paid the Minister during the past year,	$355.00
Offerings made in church,	140.75	For church music, Sexton,	54.75
Ladies' Aid Society,	113.49	For care of church, etc..	160.90
Woman's Auxiliary,	10.00	Diocesan assessments,	40.00
Total income,	$606.76		
Deficiency,	3.89		
Total income,	$610.65	Total disbursed,	$610.65

OFFICERS OF THE MISSION.

M. H. WESTCOTT, Warden.

HARRY HUGHES, Secretary.

A. S. MURRAY, Treasurer.

A. S. MURRAY, Lay Delegate.

GRACE CHURCH MISSION, FORESTDALE.

THE REV. WM. FARRAR WEEKS, Missionary.

Appointed August, 1895.

Families 20, number of persons 49; Baptisms—adult 1, infants 2, total 3; Confirmation—female 1; Burials 2; Communicants—number reported last year, 13, admitted 1, died 1; present number (Easter, 1895), male 1, female 12, total 13; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 11; Sunday School—teachers 3, pupils 17; Church Services—Sundays 52, week days 11; Celebrations of Holy Communion 10, Sermons 50, Lectures 10; 10 Cottage Services were held.

THE PROPERTY of the mission consists of—Church, erected 1851, consecrated 1853; value, including furnishings, etc., $3,000; insured for $1,000; title vested in the Bishop of Vermont.

NO INDEBTEDNESS.

INCOME of the mission for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the mission—	
Balance from last year,	$ 4.57	Salary paid the Minister during the past year,	$159.85
Annual subscriptions,	6.10	For care of church, etc.,	54.86
Offerings made in church,	18.46	Increase or improvement of property,	78.47
Special gifts of members of the congregation,	186.27	All other disbursements,	4.72
From the Diocesan Board of Missions,	93.75	Total disbursed,	$297.90
		Surplus,	11.25
Total income,	$309.15		$309.15

A guild of women, identified with the mission, have helped largely in these expenditures. They began the year with $31.35 cash on hand and raised $307.78. They paid their own expenses, improved their Guild rooms, gave the Mission $186.27, and had $25.64 cash on hand at Easter.

This mission has no organization.

ST. JOHN'S MISSION, MANCHESTER.

Date of organization of Mission, 1869.

REV. JAMES C. FLANDERS, Missionary.
Appointed March 30, 1894.

Families 5, number of persons 17; Communicants—number reported last year 1, received from other cures 6, present number (Easter, 1895)—male 2, female 5, total 7; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 7; Sunday School—teachers 2, pupils 6; Church Services—Sundays 41, week days 29; Celebrations of Holy Communion 14, second Sunday in the month, on all Holy Days during warm weather, all celebrations at an early hour; Sermons and lectures 62.

Through the efforts of Mrs. Russell Hoyt and her daughters and Mr. Sherman Fowler of New York, a new organ costing $235 was purchased and placed in the Chapel during the summer.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of—Church, erected 1869, not consecrated; value, including furnishings, etc., $2,000; no insurance; title vested in private persons.

NO INDEBTEDNESS. The salary promised to the Minister is $250 a year.

INCOME of the mission for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the mission—	
Balance from last year,	$ 94.50	Salary paid the Minister during the past year,	$ 242.90
Offerings made in church,	242.98	For care of church, etc.,	12.64
Special gifts of members of the congregation,	17.00	Increase or improvement of property,	73.77
		All other disbursements,	25.17
Total income,	$354.48	Total disbursed,	$354.48

ST. MARK'S MISSION, NEWPORT.

REV. ALEX. AUG. CAIRNS, Missionary.

Appointed May 12, 1894.

THEOPHILUS GROUT, Lay Reader.

Families 42, number of persons 139; Baptisms—infant 1; Communicants—number reported last year 31, (by error) received from other cures 5, removed 5, present number (Easter, 1895), male 17, female 35, total 52; Number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year, 44; Sunday School—teachers 5, pupils 32; Church Services—Sundays 85, week days 61; Celebrations of Holy Communion, 36, every Sunday but third, and chief Holy Days; Sermons and lectures, 146; Public catechizings, last Sunday of each month.

LAY DELEGATE'S REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the mission consists of—Church, erected 1882; value, including furnishing, etc., $3,000; insured for $1,500; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese.

INDEBTEDNESS of the Mission—unpaid Diocesan assessments, $6; all other debts of the Mission, $6.65; total indebtedness, $12.65. The salary promised to the Minister is $250 a year.

INCOME of the mission for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the mission—	
Offerings made in church,	$296.75	Salary paid the Minister during the past year,	$427.27
From the Diocesan Board of Missions,	150.00	For church music,	45.00
Board of Land Agents,	50.00	For care of church, etc,	20.16
		Diocesan assessments,	21.94
		Other disbursements,	33.33
Total income,	$496.75	Total disbursed,	$496.75

OFFICERS OF THE MISSION.

W. B. BULLOCK, Warden.

WALTER ABBOTT, Secretary.

M. T. HAMILTON, Treasurer.

THEOPHILUS GROUT, Lay Delegate.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S MISSION, NORTH TROY.

REV. ALEX. AUG. CAIRNS, Missionary.

Appointed May 12, 1894.

DR. DANA JEWELL MORRILL, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 11, number of persons 52; Baptism—infant 1; Marriage 1; Communicants—number reported last year 20, received from other cures 4, removed 2, present number (Easter, 1895), male 5, female 17, total 22; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year, 14; Sunday School—teachers 2, pupils 15; Church Services —Sundays 42, week days 20; Celebrations of Holy Communion 10, third Sunday of each month; Sermons and lectures, 60; Public catechizings, 12.

LAY DELEGATE'S REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the mission consists of--Church, erected 18—, consecrated 1893; value, including furnishings, etc., $2,800; insured for $1,100, title vested in Trustees of the Diocese.

INDEBTEDNESS of the mission—unpaid diocesan assessments $7.50. The salary promised to the Minister is $200 a year.

INCOME of the mission for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the mission—	
Annual subscriptions,	$164.20	Salary paid the Minister during the past year,	$152.50
Offerings made in church,	8.50	For church music,	8.00
Special gifts of members of the congregation,	8.00	For care of church, etc.,	6.70
From the Diocesan Board of Missions,	150.00	Diocesan assessments,	7.50
Board of Land Agents,	50.00	All other disbursements,	206.00
Total income,	$380.70	Total disbursed,	$380.70

OFFICERS OF THE MISSION.

J. S. DORMAN, Warden.

C. P. EWINS, Secretary.

C. P. EWINS, Treasurer.

J. S. DORMAN, Day Delegate.

GETHSEMANE MISSION, PROCTORSVILLE.

Report of Missionary from December 1, 1894, to Easter Monday, April 1, 1895.

THE REV. JAMES OSWALD DAVIS. Missionary.
Appointed November 23, 1895.

Families 35, number of persons 70; Baptisms—adults 2, Confirmations—male 2, female 4, total 6; Communi-

cants—number reported last year 22, admitted 6, died 2; present number (Easter, 1895) male 6, female 18, total 24; number that have received Holy Communion since December 1, 1894, 24; Sunday School—teachers 3, pupils 40; Church Services—Sundays 20, week days 6; Celebrations of Holy Communion 4, (Since Easter, first Sunday in month, 8 A. M., third Sunday in month, 10.30 A. M.;) Sermons and lectures 27; Public catechizings weekly.

ST. ANNE'S MISSION, RICHFORD, VT.

Date of organization of Mission, 1882.

REV. C. K. P. COGSWELL, Missionary.
Appointed Sept. 4, 1894.

DR. J. H. HAMILTON, Licensed Lay Reader to Advent, 1894.

Families 21, number of persons 85; Marriages 1; Communicants—number reported last year 38, received from other cures 5, died 1, removed 3, dropped or suspended 3, present number (Easter, 1895)—male 7, female 29, total 36; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 34; Sunday School—teachers 4, pupils 22; Church Services—Sundays, morning and evening prayer; week days, evening prayer daily; Celebrations of Holy Communion on first Sunday of the month, every Sunday during Advent and Lent, Saints' days; Sermons and lectures, Sunday morning and evening, Friday evening; Bible readings, Wednesday evening; Public catechizing 1.

A much needed alms basin was presented by a faithful communicant on Easter day.

LAY DELEGATE'S REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the mission consists of—Church, erected A. D. 1883, consecrated A. D. 1894; value, including furnishings, etc., $3,000; insured for $2,000; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese.

THE INDEBTEDNESS of the mission—unpaid diocesan assessments $4.53, all other debts of the mission $7.75, total indebtedness $12.25. The salary promised the Minister is $600 a year, beginning Sept. 4, 1894.

INCOME of the mission for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the mission—	
Offerings made in church,	$250.32	Salary paid the Minister during the past year from Sept. 4, 1894,	$371.70
From the Diocesan Board of Missions,	87.50	For church music,	10.22
Board of Land Agents,	48.30	For care of church, etc.,	51.78
Other sources:		Insurance,	17.00
Town order,	10.00	Paid deficit of last year,	33.03
Woman's Guild,	$127.51	Increase or improvement of property,	7.10
		All other disbursements,	32.80
Total income,	$523.63	Total disbursed,	$523.63

OFFICERS OF THE MISSION.

J. H. HAMILTON, Warden.

DANIEL H. CORSE, Secretary.

N. F. HAMILTON, Treasurer.

J. H. HAMILTON, Lay Delegate.

ST. MARK'S MISSION, SPRINGFIELD.

REV. WM. J. HARRIS, D. D. General Missionary, in charge.

Appointed June, 1892.

Families 18, number of persons 55; Confirmations—male 1, female 3, total 4; Burials 2; Communicants—number reported last year 23, received from other cures 1, admitted 4,

died 2, removed 4, present number (Easter, 1895), male 6, female 16, total 22; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year, 24; Church Services—Sundays 60, week days 2; Celebrations of Holy Communion, 7. The Rev. Victor M. Haughton, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Charlestown, N. H., has kindly officiated in the Mission Hall in the afternoon of three Sundays in each month, the General Missionary going for the Holy Communion on the last Sunday of alternate months.

LAY DELEGATE'S REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the mission consists of—a house and lot, value $3,000; house insured for $1,000; shop insured for $300.

INDEBTEDNESS of the mission—mortgages or other liens on other property, $1,900. The salary promised the Minister is $150 a year from Board of Missions.

INCOME of the mission for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the mission—	
Balance from last year,	$21.20	Salary paid the Minister during the past year,	$150.00
Annual subscriptions.	18.15	For rent of hall,	51.50
Offerings made in church,	66.22	Increase or improvement of property, deposited in Bank for Chapel,	100.00
From the Diocesan Board of Mission,	150.00	All other disbursements,	9.50
Other sources, entertainments,	66.01	Surplus,	1.58
Total income,	$321.58		$321.58

OFFICERS OF THE MISSION.

ALBERT M. ALLBE, Warden.

LAFAYETTE SCOTT, Secretary.

CHARLES H. CAMBRIDGE, Treasurer.

The Mission has $2,000 in hand toward the erection of a Chapel, the gift, by will, of the late Mr. Harrison Spafford.

JAMES F. HAMILTON, Lay Delegate.

ST. PAUL'S MISSION, WHITE RIVER JUNCTION.

Date of organization of Mission, December 5, 1893.

Rev. Algernon T. Brown, Missionary.

Appointed May 25th, 1894.

Arthur G. Bugbee, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 49; number of persons 128; Baptisms—infants 6; Marriage 1; Burial 1; Communicants—number reported last year 42, received from other cures 8, admitted 18, removed to other cures 2, present number (Easter, 1895)—male 21, female 45, total 66; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 51; Sunday School—teachers 4; pupils 25; number of youth within the cure pursuing liberal studies with a view to the ministry 1; Church Services—Sundays 127, week days 44; Celebrations of Holy Communion 46, 1st and 3rd Sundays in the month at 11 a. m., all other Sundays at 7:30 a. m., all other Feasts in Table of Feasts in Prayer Book; sermons 45; lectures 11; public catechizings 6.

(*Olcott.*)

The first service here was held on the 25th Sunday after Trinity, Nov. 11th, 1894, in Marston's hall—used mostly as a Temperance Society's rooms—with a good attendance. I have held services fortnightly since at 3 o'clock p. m. Number of services up to Easter 1895, 11.

There has been no celebration of the Holy Communion, as we have not yet placed an altar or suitably covered table in the hall. I hope to have a table properly covered and a place in which to keep it, removing it after using.

Bishop Hall has very kindly given us a grant of Prayer Books and Hymnals, 50 of each, and we have bought six copies with music for the choir.

Three of those confirmed by Bishop Hall at White River Junction after Easter were from here.

There ought to be several Communicants here, and I hope to report them as such in next year's report.

The offerings on Sunday so far have paid for rent of hall and conveyance of missionary back and forth.

We hope to get up a list of several persons pledging so much every Sunday for the support of the Mission.

We have a church building lot deeded to the Trustees of the Diocese, and situated in the central part of the village.

In the winter of 1894 we organized the "Olcott Reading Union and Library Association" for the benefit of the people in general, but particularly the young men.

A. T. BROWN,

Missionary.

LAY DELEGATE'S REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the mission consists of—Church, erected 1874, consecrated 1894; value, including furnishing, etc., $4,000; insured for $2,000; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese.

No INDEBTEDNESS. The salary promised to the Rector is $1,000 a year.

INCOME of the mission for the year—		EXPENDITURE of the mission—	
Annual subscriptions,	$ 20.00	Salary paid the Minister during the past year,	$1,000.00
Offerings made in church,	399.69	For church music,	7.50
From the Diocesan Board of Missions,	300.00	For care of church, etc.,	28.10
Board of Land Agents,	150.00	Insurance,	10.53
Other aid from without the mission,	47.00	Diocesan assessments,	20.00
Funds of mission,	109.44	Fuel,	30.00
Ladies of the mission,	70.00		
Total income,	$1,096.18	Total disbursed,	$1,096.18

OFFICERS OF THE MISSION.

S. L. FARMAN, Warden.

S. L. FARMAN, Secretary.

THOS. J. WEST, Treasurer.

S. L. FARMAN, Lay Delegate.

TRINITY MISSION, WINOOSKI.

Date of organization of Mission, about 1869. (?)

THE REV. GEORGE YEMENS BLISS, Missionary.
Appointed June 12, 1892.

Families 37, total number of persons 154; Baptisms—adults 3, infants 3, total 6; Confirmations—male 3, female 8, total 11; Marriages 3; Burials 5; Communicants—number reported last year 55; received from other cures 4, admitted 12, died 5; removed to other cures 7; dropped or suspended 3; present number (Easter, 1895), male 17, female 39, total 56; number that have received the Holy Communion during the past year 45; Sunday School—teachers 6, pupils 52; Church Services—Sundays, morning prayer has been said 45 times, evening prayer has been said 26 times, the Litany has been said about 20 times; week days, evening prayer has been said on 13 week days; Celebrations of Holy Communion—the rule is the first and third Sunday of each month; Sermons and lectures, 66 sermons, 10 lectures; Public catechizings, three Sundays in every month except July and August. Special offerings not noted above are as follows: For improvement of Church fabric—from Mr. and Mrs. H. Wells, $869.27. From Mrs. H. Wells, a hymn tablet an Alms basin, a set of Altar linen, a set of green hangings, etc.

LAY DELEGATE'S REPORT.

THE PROPERTY of the mission consists of—Church, erected 1875, consecrated July 5, 1877; value, including furnishing, etc., $4,000; insured for $2,500; title vested in the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont.

NO INDEBTEDNESS. The salary promised to the Minister is $400 a year.

INCOME of the mission for the year—	
Balance from last year,	$ 26.11
Annual subscriptions,	305.11
Offerings made in church,	28.17
Special gifts of members of the congregation,	88.75
From the Diocesan Board of Missions,	150.00
Board of Land Agents,	35.00
Other sources,	67.48
Total income,	$650.75

EXPENDITURE of the mission—	
Salary paid the Minister during the past year,	$382.50
For church music,	75.87
For care of church, etc.,	33.95
Insurance,	16.65
Diocesan assessments,	5.00
Increase or improvement of property,	73.70
All other disbursements,	51.60
Total disbursed,	$639.27
Surplus,	11.48
	$650.75

OFFICERS OF THE MISSION.

JAMES D. TANNER, M. D., Warden.

GEORGE DAVIS NASH, Secretary.

JOHN KENNEDY NASH, Treasurer.

J. D. TANNER, Lay Delegate.

VERMONT EPISCOPAL INSTITUTE AND BISHOP HOPKINS HALL.

The Chapels at the two schools are served by the Bishop and his Chaplain, the Rev. George B. Johnson. The Holy Communion is celebrated every Sunday and Holy Day in one Chapel or the other. The Schools meet for mid-day service and sermon on Sunday. Daily Prayers are said at each School. In each Chapel the Bishop gave a special course of Instructions during Lent.

At the Boys' School there are 18 communicants among the teachers and scholars; at the Girls' School 19; but most of these are counted elsewhere on parish rolls at their homes. During the past School year there have been no Baptisms or Confirmations.

The offerings at the Chapel of the Institute have amounted to $185.75; of which $50 has been paid to Diocesan Missions, $31.91 to General Missions, $50 to St. Paul's Burlington.

In the Chapel of Bishop Hopkins Hall the offerings have been $30.63, and the Junior Auxiliary has contributed $11.63, making $42.26, which will be used in materials which the scholars propose to work for the furniture of the new Church at Barre.

Diocesan Missionary's Report.

To the Right Reverend the Bishop of the Diocese:

I have completed nearly three and a half years of Diocesan Missionary work, and have found myself more and more interested in it, as time has gone on. As an evidence of my increased confidence in its continuance, I was, as you know, canonically transferred to this Diocese in December last. This "increased confidence," I wish to say, has been very largely due to the kind and appreciative interest which you have manifested in this particular line of church work.

Very fortunately there have been comparatively few vacancies in the Missions of the Diocese during the last year, so that the part of my work, which consists in caring for vacant Missions, has been considerably less than before. I have continued to go once in two months for the Holy Communion to Grace Church, West Rutland, which is otherwise still served very acceptably by Mr. E. P. Gilson as Lay Reader. Have also gone once in two months for the same purpose to St. Mark's Mission, Springfield, where the Rev. Victor M. Haughton of Charlestown, N. H., has kindly held service at 4 P. M. on three Sundays in each month. Now, however, the Rev. Mr. Haughton has felt obliged to discontinue his visits, and I am to go for the present once a month, giving the only services held there. I have also gone to Barre about once in two months, the Minister in charge exchanging with some neighboring priest in order to secure the Celebration on the alternate months. With the

admission of the Rev. Allan D. Brown, who is now in charge, to Priest's Orders, the necessity for my visits to Barre will be obviated. I have given one Sunday to Zion Church, Manchester Centre, when through the illness of the Rector, the Rev. J. C. Flanders, there had been no clerical service for six Sundays. Have preached on three Sunday evenings for brethren, in the vicinity of whose cures I have been doing missionary work during the day, and have in a few instances assisted my brethren in week-day Lenten services. Have made addresses at annual and district meetings of the Woman's Auxiliary, which has indicated the continuance of its hearty and efficient interest in the general missionary work by appropriating $750 toward the salary of the Missionary for the year, its year ending Oct. 1, 1895. To the help of these faithful women the possibility of carrying on this work has been very largely due, in fact, without their generous help the work must have stopped. May their interest and their resources never fail.

For the rest my time has been given to that "general" work which is so varied in its character, so wide in its scope, and so interesting—to me, at least—in its details. There is a good deal of sameness, however, about these details. It it the same old story of isolated Church folk gladly welcoming a visit from a Priest of their Church, and all the more glad to receive the offices of their beloved Church, because they receive them so infrequently; of children (and adults also) baptized, little knots of communicants gathered—at private houses generally—for a quiet celebration of the Holy Communion, and a few persons found "ready and desirous" to receive Confirmation; of the almost never-failing courtesy of some place of worship offered by our brethren of other names, in which to hold a public service, and of the large congregations usually gathered at such places, alert to see

and to hear what the "Episcopal" Church is; of the very satisfactory singing of the canticles and the hearty responses usually had in congregations containing *very* few of our own Church people—not enough to be at all depended upon to "lead off;" in fine, of the comfort and help brought to scores of "our own" scattered far and wide in the valleys and upon the hills, and the opportunity offered to bring our beloved Church and her "ways" to the attention and knowledge of hundreds who have known little or nothing of her—have even been strongly prejudiced against her, but are now disposed to give her a kindly and candid hearing, and to adopt many of those "ways" of which they used to be so much afraid.

The returns of the last U. S. census show, that for every three native-born Vermonters still living in the State two are to be found living elsewhere in the United States. Add to these the very large number of Vermonters to be found in the British Provinces, in Mexico, and in all parts of the known world, and we may well infer, I think, that during the last 50 years fully *one half* of our native-born population have found their home outside their native State. It would be interesting to know what proportion of this emigrant multitude is to be found doing the work of our Church in their new and widely-scattered homes. A very *small* proportion, probably. A very large number of these people have gone from communities where our Church was hardly known —perhaps utterly unknown, and it is not at all surprising that they have so largely failed to identify themselves with the Church elsewhere. Anything that we may do to give future emigrants from the hills of Vermont to the great cities of the East, the wide-reaching regions of the West and the South, and the world-wide range of ambitious and enterprising men, some knowledge of Christ and His Church to take

with them, will do just so much to increase the present very small proportion of workers for the Church of Christ, as we have received it, among that great multitude of our Vermont brethren, who all over the world are doing such valiant work in every cause, in which they are interested.

I have not visited so many different places during the past year as in some previous years, chiefly because it has seemed best to go several times to certain places, where a considerable number of our people are living, or where a good deal of outside interest was manifest. I have, however, gone to 75 different towns and villages; have held 141 Sunday services; have preached to congregations of from 20 in one of our own little Missions to 250 in some place where we have not more than three or four people; have celebrated the Holy Communion 60 times; have baptized 3 adults and 18 children—a total of 21; have helped to prepare and have directly or indirectly presented 6 persons for Confirmation; and have officiated at one funeral. I have personal knowledge of some 250 confirmed persons living where they have no access to the ordinances and sacraments of the Church, except as these are infrequently brought to them—chiefly by myself. The details of this "general" work need not be here given, since they are very largely given in *The Mountain Echo*, the publication of which seems to me to be legitimate "missionary" work.

WILLIAM J. HARRIS,

Diocesan Missionary.

RUTLAND, June 1, 1895.

RECAPITULATION.

Parishes.	Associated with	Rectors.	Souls.	Baptisms.	Confirmed.	No. of Communicants.	No. of Male Communicants.	No. of Teachers in Sunday School.	No. of Children in Sunday School.	Marriages.	Burials.	Salary of Rector.	Rectory.	Aid from Board of Land Agents.	Aid from Missionary Committee.
Arlington	[N. H.	J. C. Carnahan	250	11	14	164	52	7	50	1	5	$ 700.00	Yes	$ 46.00	$
Bellows Falls	Drewsville,	D. L. Sanford										1,200.00	Yes		
Bennington		G. L. Richardson	365	17	4	171	55	14	57	3	21	1,000.00	Yes		
Berkshire	Montgomery	F. H. Blunt	81	2	1	41	15	5	41	1	1	320.00	Yes	50.00	
Bethel	Royalton	J.B. Trevett	95	1	4	58	15	2	20	5	4	551.00	Yes	103.83	
Brandon	Forestdale	W. F. Weeks	214	15	15	114	23	4	36	4	14	1,000.00	Yes	98 10	
Brattleboro	Guilford	W. H. Collins	260	19	11	135	25	8	72	7	4	1,100.00	Yes		
Burlington		J. I. Bliss G. Y. Bliss, Ast	1050	34	54	603	195	18	181	14	19	2,000.00	Yes		
Chester	Proctorsville	J. O. Davis	154	8	4	60	16	4	35	0	4	400.00	Yes	75.00	
Enosburgh	Enosb'rg F'lls	E. S. Stone	287	8	1	29	8	3	26	0	3	900.00	No	76.62	100.00
Enos'bgh F'ls	Enosburg	E. S. Stone	204	11	12	100	31	5	57	3	5		Yes	76.62	20.00
Guilford	Brattleboro	W. H. Collins	25	1	0	12	2	0	0	0	2		Yes		
Highgate	Shl'dn &F'fld	G. A. Wilkins	70	0	1	27	5	3	20	0	0	400.00	No	75.00	50.00
Hydeville	Fair Haven	J. Anketell	106	3	5	44	14	7	62	0	1		No		
Island Pond		[T. I. Bell]		5	6	68		5	60	2	6	800.00	No	95.00	300.00
Manch'tr C'tr		[J. C. Flanders	192	9	0	88	24	7	54	2	11	776.28	Yes	75.00	
Middlebury	E. Middleb'ry	S. B. Blunt	213	20	17	137	48	5	47	5	10	1,000.00	Yes		
Montgomery	E. Berkshire	F. H. Blunt	77	10	12	42	8	5	30	2	2	280.00	No	75.00	
Montpelier		A. N. Lewis	389	12	0	207	68	8	87	5	7	1,200.00	Yes		
Northfield		G. J. Sutherland	101	12	16	61	25	6	50	2	6	700.00	Yes	75.00	
Poultney	Wells and Mid'ton Sp'gs	E. H. Randall		0	25	119	23	5	40	83	6	800.00	No	95.00	
Randolph	W. Randolph	H. White	50	4	6	41	8	3	15	1	1	400.00	No	75.00	168.75
W. Randolph	Randolph	H. White	74	2	2	56	14	3	18	4	4	600.00	No	75.00	
Royalton	Bethel	J. B. Trevett	48	2	2	31	7	0	0	1	1	150.00	No	60.00	
Rutland		C. M. Niles	943	41	25	600	183	13	171	12	20	1,800.00	Yes		

Sheldon	Fairfield.	G. A. Wilkins	64	0	0	30	3	2	16	0	1	100.00	No		
Swanton		F. M. Garland	130	11	10	56	10	6	48	0	3	900.00	No	28.80	
Vergennes		E. B. Smith	187	8	14	121	57	6	50	2	3	1,000.00	Yes		
Wells	Poultney and M'dl'tn Sp'gs.	E. H. Randall		0	0	19	1	0	0	0	2	200.00	No	30.00	50.00
Windsor		E. N. Goddard		5	7	79	21	3	20	2	7	563.63	Yes	50.00	
Woodstock		F. W. Smith	130	5	4	66	18	4	38	2	6	1,000.00	Yes		
MISSIONS.															
Barre		A. D. Brown	203	15	6	60	20	5	58	3	1	600.00	Yes	80.00	225.00
Granitev'le						15	6								
Camb'dge B'o		G. Graves	20	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	105.71	No		81.26
Cam'ge C'tr		S. E. Hanger,	10	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	78.28	No		60.43
Fairfax		Deacon,	55	0	0	17	7	1	6	0	2	176.17	Yes	70.00	50.00
Georgia		Assistant	40	1	0	9	0	2	8	0	1	185.74	No	70.00	42.25
Jericho			37	1	4	16	5	1	3	0	0	377.16	No		245.97
Milton			54	1	1	19	1	2	7	1	0	246.50	No	70.00	152.18
E. Middleb'ry	Middlebury	S. B. Blunt	78	12	2	28	5	4	45	1	1	100.00	No		100.00
Fairfield	Highgate and Sheldon.	G. A. Wilkins		3						0			No		
Fair Haven	Hydeville	J. Anketell	121	3	10	68	18	5	25	1	2		No		
Forestdale	Brandon	W. F. Weeks	49	3	1	13	1	3	17	0	2	159.85	No		93.75
Manchester		[J. C. Flanders]	17	0	0	7	2	2	6	0	0	250.00	No		
Newport		A. A. Cairns	139	1	0	52	17	5	32	0	0	250.00	No	50.00	150.00
North Troy			52	1	0	22	5	2	15	1	0	200.00	No	50.00	150.00
Proctorsville	Chester	J. O. Davis	70	2	6	24	6	3	40	0	0		No		
Richford		C. K. P. Cogswell	85	0	0	36	7	4	22	1	0	600.00	No	48.30	87.50
Springfield		Diocese Mis'nary	55	0	4	22	6	0	0	0	2	150.00	No		150.00
W. R. Junct		A. T. Brown	128	6	0	66	21	4	25	1	1	1,000.00	No	150.00	300.00
Winooski		C. W. McCully	154	6	11	56	17	6	52	3	5	400.00	No	35.00	150.00
Total				387	361	4683	1395	242	2071	123	229				

SUMMARY OF OFFERINGS.

Parishes.	Communion Alms.	Parochial.	DIOCESAN.				OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE.				Sum of offerings reported by Rectors and Missionaries.	Sum of offerings and subscriptions reported by Lay Delegates.	Sum of all Offerings obtained by comparison of the two reports.
			Missions.	Aged and infirm Clergy.	Other.	Total of Diocesan Offerings.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Other.	Total.			
Arlington	$ 4.57	$ 443.69	$ 75.00	$	$ 30.00	$ 105.00	$ 19.33	$	$ 3.12	$ 22.45	$ 575.71	$ 799.36	$ 835.71
Bellows Falls												659.73	659.73
Bennington	167.22	887.68	100.00	3.27	59.18	162.45	35.20	44.55	5.00	84.75	1,302.10	1,807.76	2,736.11
Berkshire	5.00	407.75	15.00		20.00	35.00	15.00			15.00	562.75	310.00	430.75
Bethel		389.25	20.00		27.19	47.19	1.80			1.80	438.24	254.63	258.63
Brandon	18.66	440.93	18.94	3.13	16.48	38.55	6.14	6.19		12.33	510.47	618.94	688.48
Brattleboro	47.26	1,683.50	80.00	3.86	16.00	99.86	16.63	16.63	23.55	56.81	1,887.43	1,445.80	1,707.83*
Burlington	888.57	1,687.79	506.91	40.90	2,357.26	2,905.07	274.33	84.48	147.77	506.58	5,988.01	855.02	5,988.01
Chester	5.44	354.91	8.49		1.72	10.21		1.88		1.88	372.44	41.86	63.95*
Enosburgh	4.29	19.78	18.15	.53	12.00	30.68	3.25	3.25		6.50	61.25	278.80	326.48
Enosburgh Falls	8.58	163.76	27.95	4.03	65.40	97.38	9.25	9.25	2.75	21.25	290.97	711.49	859.33
Guilford	5.00	48.87	10.70		7.00	17.70					71.57		71.57
Highgate		81.40	10.00			10.00	2.00			2.00	93.40	109.46	135.46
Hydeville		99.78		6.78	62.75	69.53					169.31		169.31
Island Pond	16.02	35.31	22.50		5.00	27.50	14.00			14.00	92.83	510.07	602.90
Manchester Cr.	34.77	701.09	38.80	2.10	13.00	53.90	18.43	18.43	19.02	55.88	845.64	627.58	845.64
Middlebury		1,723.24	40.30		95.40	135.70					1,858.94	742.61	1,475.01*
Montgomery	3.00	324.50	15.00		7.00	22.00					349.50	253.25	307.75*
Montpelier	111.99	3,982.76	187.50		206.70	394.20	40.40		160.00	200.40	4,689.35	993.03	2,608.05*
Northfield	4.85	194.24	35.00		8.31	43.31	8.67	8.66		17.33	259.73	543.42	803.15
Poultney	12.00	958.00	60.00	6.00		66.00	28.40	7.65		36.05	1,072.05	653.46	925.51*
Randolph		198.17	25.00		12.00	37.00	2.98	2.98	12.01	17.97	253.14	156.00	253.14
W. Randolph		985.52	25.00		20.05	45.05	6.76	6.76	35.85	49.37	1,079.94	632.00	1,079.94
Royalton		108.55	10.00		3.87	13.87	21.00	1.00		22.00	144.42	142.50	144.42
Rutland	253.00	6,497.58	270.28	11.00	204.72	486.00	50.00	30.00	3.75	83.75	7,320.33	1,699.57	3,642.32*

St. Albans	144.92	315.00	87.32	7 20	352.64	447.16	40.00	15.00	197.00	252.00	1,159.38	3,548.80	4,708.18
St. Johnsbury	4.36	2,423.07	11.50		47.77	59.27	112.54	2.00		114.54	2,601.24	1,913.97	2,218.54*
Shelburne	29.64	399.82	100.00		470.91	570.91	50.00	31.42	30.80	112.22	1,112.59	2,615.29	3,727.88
Sheldon	5.00	35.06	10.00			10.00	1.00	1.00		2.00	52.06	69.13	106.19
Swanton	1.68	169.62	13.30		23.01	36.31	7.40	7.40		14.80	222.41	379.30	530.10
Vergennes	20.94	5.60	60.00	8.25	79.73	147.98	15.04	15.03	119.50	149.57	324.09	1,282.48	1,606.57
Wells		198.35	14.63			14.63	6.70			6.70	219.68	89.85	111.18
Windsor		29.58	38.00		64.00	102.00	12.50	12.50		25.00	156.58	1,122.16	1,278.74
Woodstock		30.07	78.67	4.07	15.00	97.74	32.00	15.12		47.12	174.93	752 39	912.32
Missions.		Within Mission.											
Barre		844.57	20.00		6.00	26.00	7.59	7.60		15.19	895.76	981.24	1,049.80
Graniteville		19.63									19.63		19.63
CambridgeBoro		51.60	7.00		.87	7.87	1.67	1.17		2.84	62.31	34.26	44.97
CambridgeCr		17.85	3.75			3.75	.88	.37		1.25	22.85	15.85	20.85
Fairfax		28.45	20.00		4.46	24.46	5.68	3.33		9.01	61.92	72.27	107.19
Georgia		41.74	10.03		4.00	14.03	3.44	2.01		5.45	61.22	54.80	75.28
Jericho		142.58	10.00		3.48	13.48	3.78	1.67		5.45	161.51	119.20	138.13
Milton		61.60	15.00			15.00	10.23	2.50		12.73	89.33	168.39	196.12
E. Middlebury	6.75	121.41	5.00			5.00					126.41	106.87	124.77
Fair Haven		330.00		1 03	10.50	11.53					341 53	483.27	494.80
Forestdale		24.56	3.69		1.03	4.72	.68	.69		1.37	30.65	210.88	216.92
Manchester	19.99	242.90	10.00			10.00					272.89	259.98	289.97
Newport		307.60	17.94		14.20	32.14	3.37	3.37		6.74	346.48	296.75	346.48
North Troy		165.50	2.50		6.00	8.50	.52	.52		1.04	175.04	180.70	192.74
Proctorsville	4.03	100.78	5.50		6.85	12.35					117 16		117.16
Richford	1.63	408.75	6.88			6.88		.20		.20	417.46	250.32	265.82
Springfield			5.00			5.00					5 00	84.37	84.37
White Riv. Jc.	5.01	631.98	20.00	5.00	29 00	54.00		4.88		4.88	695.87	419.69	559.42
Winooski	60.73	40.50	17.10		48.50	65.60	17.50	8.00		25.50	192.33	372.03	564.36
Total	$1,894.90		$2,238.33	$107.15	$4,585.04	$6,930.53	$906.09	$377.49	$760.12	$2,043.70			$47,955.71

*Pew rents or other income not derived from offerings or subscriptions were included in some of the Rectors' Reports.

[APPENDIX C.]

Report of Standing Committee.

The Standing Committee respectfully report to the Convention their proceedings for the past year :

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May 8, 1895, the Committee met at St. Paul's Rectory, Burlington, and signed the testimonials of John Hazen White, Bishop elect of Indiana, giving their consent to his consecration.

At the same time and place, they also gave their consent to the advancement of the Rev. Allan D. Brown to the Priesthood.

June 18, 1895, Met at the Pavilion Hotel, Montpelier, signed the testimonials of Rev. Frank Rosebrook Millspaugh, D. D., Bishop-elect of Kansas, giving consent to his consecration.

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[APPENDIX D.]

Vermont Episcopal Institute.

REPORT OF THE BISHOP TO THE CONVENTION.

The erection and dedication of the new

EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE

at Rock Point has already been reported to the Convention. The business connected with the matter was cared for by a Committee representing both the Vermont Episcopal Institute and the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund.

Under the head of the

SEMINARY DEPARTMENT

of the Institute it may be mentioned as fulfilling the intention of the Willoughby Foundation that three Candidates for Holy Orders belonging to the Diocese have been studying under the Bishop's direction and that of his Chaplain, two of them living in the Bishop's house, the other living and teaching in the Boys' School.

In the

ACADEMICAL DEPARTMENT

the tone of the school has been distinctly raised, and a fairly prosperous year passed. There have been 29 boys during

the school year. The principles in accordance with which it is intended to maintain our schools, and towards the realization of which we hope to press on each year, are stated in addresses made at their closing exercises this month, which are being printed for general circulation.

At

BISHOP HOPKINS HALL

the arrangement which was made a year ago for Mr. Ross to assume the business management of the institution with a Lady Principal at the head of the house and School, seems the best that can be devised until we receive such endowments as will enable the trustees to assume the whole financial responsibility.

The Bishop received from personal friends seven hundred dollars for scholarships, which serve to reduce the ordinary charges for several of the pupils.

The financial embarrassments of the school last year obliged the trustees to suspend for a time the appropriation of $1,000 toward scholarships which they had been accustomed to make out of our small endowment.

It is not surprising that the number of pupils should have been small considering the general financial straitness, and the change in the management which was rendered necessary last year.

Miss Clark, the Lady Principal, and her staff of assistant teachers have done excellent work in the school, which has good promise of increased development and usefulness.

The scientific department of the school has been fully equipped with apparatus of the latest design, and the courses of study have been thoroughly revised in accordance with the recommendations of the Educational Committee of Ten, circulated by the United States Government.

The Bishop and his Chaplain have officiated regularly in the Chapels and have taken the religious care of both schools.

[APPENDIX E.]

Aged and Infirm Clergymen Fund.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1894.

June 6.	Amount of fund,		$11,555 06
	RECEIPTS.		
	St. Luke's, Fair Haven,	$ 2 64	
	Immanuel, Bellows Falls,	16 04	
	St. James's, Hydeville,	8 78	
	St. Peter's, Bennington,	3 27	
	St. Paul's, Vergennes,	8 25	
	St. James's, Woodstock,	4 07	
	Zion, Manchester Center,	2 10	
	Trinity, Rutland,	11 00	
	St. Paul's, Windsor,	5 00	
	Christ, Enosburgh,	95	
	St. Matthews, Enosburgh Falls,	2 65	
	St. Thomas's, Brandon,	3 13	
	St. Michael's, Brattleboro,	6 35	
	St. Luke's, St. Albans,	7 20	
			$ 81 43
	Bequest of Mary Ann Pearson, Burlington,		16 97
	Bequest of Mrs. Frederick Chaffee, Rutland,		2,000 00
	Interest on Mrs. Chaffee's bequest,		20 00
	Interest on investments,		729 46
			$14,402 92

DISBURSEMENTS.

Appropriation for Rev. Lewis McDonald,	$195 00	
Accrued interest on investments,	16 24	
Blank book,	70	
		$211 94

1895.

June 19. Amount of fund, $14,190 98

INVESTMENTS.

Loans on real estate,	$11,300 00	
Loans on personal security,	566 00	
Clark Co. Illinois Bond,	79 00	
On deposit in Ottauquechee Bank,	2,245 98	
		$14,190 08

CHARLES F. CHAPMAN,
Treasurer.

MONTPELIER, VT., June 19, 1895.

We, the undersigned, having verified the above report of Charles F. Chapman, Treasurer of the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund of the Diocese of Vermont, find the same correct, and the securities as stated in said report.

JAMES B. JONES,
GEO. R. BOTTUM,
DANIEL W. ROBINSON,
Auditors of Trust Funds of the Diocese of Vermont.

[APPENDIX F.]

Alonzo Jackman Fund.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1894.			
June 6.	Amount of fund,		$3,150 61
	RECEIPTS.		
	Interest on investments,		170 85
			$3,321 46
	DISBURSEMENTS.		
	Appropriation for Helen S. Hutchins,	$100 00	
	Accrued interest on investments,	86	
			$100 86
1895.			
June 19.	Amount of fund,		$3,220 60
	INVESTMENTS.		
	Loans on real estate,	$2,582 50	
	On deposit in Ottauquechee Savings Bank,	638 10	
			$3,220 60

CHARLES F. CHAPMAN,
Treasurer.

MONTPELIER, VT., June 19, 1895.

We, the undersigned, having verified the above report of Charles F. Chapman, Treasurer of the Alonzo Jackman Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen of the Diocese of Vermont, find the same correct and the securities as stated in said report.

JAMES B. JONES,
GEO. R. BOTTUM,
DANIEL W. ROBINSON,
Auditors of Trust Funds of the Diocese of Vermont.

[APPENDIX G.]

Episcopal Fund.

Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees for the year ending June 18, 1895.

To the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Bishop of the Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Vermont:

GENTLEMEN: I herewith submit my annual report, as your Treasurer.

PRINCIPAL FUND.

Balance, same as at last report,	$36,067 53

INVESTMENTS OF PRINCIPAL FUND.

100 shares stock, Rensselaer & Saratoga R. R., par value $10,000, rate 8 per cent., inventoried at cost, $140,	$14,000 00
First mortgage, 7 per cent. bonds of the Delaware & Hudson Canal Co., due 1917, cost $128, inventoried at par,	5,000 00
First mortgage real estate notes, rate 6 per cent.,	9,000 00
First mortgage real estate note, rate 7 per cent.,	5,000 00
Note with approved collateral,	1,600 00
Note of St. Luke's Parish, St. Albans,	1,200 00
Deposited in Burlington Savings Bank,	267 53
	$36,067 53

INCOME ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance at last report,	$ 754 55
Interest collected,	2,221 62
	$2,975 97

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid to E. L. Temple, Treasurer,	$2,331 19
Paid to sinking fund,	644 78
	$2,975 97

SINKING FUND.

(Created to retire premium on Delaware & Hudson Canal Co., bond.)

RECEIPTS.

Balance at last report,	$755 22
Received from Income account,	644 78
	$1,400 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

Credited to Episcopal Fund,	$1,400 00

HENRY L. WARD,
Treasurer.

Examined and found correct:

F. C. KENNEDY,
Auditor of the Board.

We have audited the foregoing account of Henry L. Ward, Treasurer of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, and find it correct. We have examined the securities held by said fund and they agree with the report.

GEO. R. BOTTUM,
JAMES B. JONES,
DANIEL W. ROBINSON,
Auditors of Trust Funds.

[APPENDIX H.]

REPORT OF THE

Missionary Committee

OF THE DIOCESE OF VERMONT.

The Missionary Committee organized a few days after Convention by the choice of the Rev. B. W. Atwell as Secretary, the other officers being prescribed by Canon. Appropriations to the different Missionary Stations were made at the beginning of the year, and also apportionments upon the Parishes and Missions for their support—all of which appeared in the Appendix to the Convention Journal of 1894. Certain errors, typographical and otherwise, made by the printer in this tabulation have been notified to the stations interested; the apportionments properly aggregating $2,831, and the appropriations $5,550, which latter includes a supplementary grant of $500 made for additional clerical services at the stations at Jericho and Cambridge. We gratefully acknowledge the following valuable contributions in addition to apportionments, viz: From the Board of Land Agents, $820; from the Woman's Auxiliary, $512.50; from the Trustees of the Diocese, $364.10.

Arrangements were made early in the year to hold public meetings in various Parishes in the interest of Diocesan Mis-

sions, at which members of the Committee should be present and make addresses on different aspects of the work.

In accordance with this plan, such meetings have been held at St. James's Church, Woodstock, September 4th, addressed by the Bishop, the Rev. Dr. Harris, the Rev. Messrs. Weeks and Niles and Mr. Temple; at Trinity Church, Rutland, September 27th, by the Bishop and the Rev. Messrs. Atwell and A. D. Brown; and at St. Luke's Church, St. Albans, January 23d, by the Bishop and Mr. Temple.

The Committee have held seven business meetings during the year, one at Rutland, one at Montpelier and five at Burlington (two of these at the Episcopal residence).

A direct proposition was laid before us by the Missionary at Barre regarding the acquisition of certain valuable real estate there to be utilized for church purposes, and a printed appeal was issued by the Bishop in the name of the Committee, urging the importance of and soliciting offerings for this work. The sum of $6,000 (almost entirely from within the Diocese) was pledged, and paid in cash within a month, as the Bishop asked, and since then $706.24 has been received towards the whole sum required. In the meantime a corner lot fronting upon the main square of the city of Barre had unexpectedly come into the market, more desirable and at a less price than the property first considered, and having upon it two dwellings under rental. The purchase of this property was at once authorized and made at a cost of $7,000 cash, the shortage of about $300 being advanced temporarily by the Bishop. A sub-committee was also appointed consisting of the Bishop, the Missionary at Barre and Mr. Parker, to receive and submit plans and measures for the erection of a church building on the lot last named.

Later the Committee adopted a plan and continued said sub-committee with power to further the work of construc-

tion up to the laying of the corner-stone of a Gothic church building of granite, to be laid by the Bishop at the session of the Convention at Montpelier, June 20th. With the aid of a generous loan procured of a local bank on mortgage of the lot, it is expected that the work will progress rapidly so as to admit of at least partial occupancy before another winter.

While the chief financial aggressive work in a new field for the present year has been that at Barre, it is gratifiying to note indications of prospective openings to missionary enterprise in other quarters, such as Lyndonville, Canaan, Victory and elsewhere, which must not be neglected or postponed. To do this and still fulfill existing obligations, it is imperative that a larger schedule of expenditures than in the past must be provided for. With the exception of large individual gifts at the Bishop's consecration to avert a deficit, the ordinary receipts of last year have equalled any previous record, and we have expended it all, and with it the balance of nearly $1,000 in the treasury with which the year began. Next year will have no such balance to draw upon, and the work grows apace. It is for Vermont Churchmen to show by their deeds how deeply at heart they have the sacred cause of Missions. If we would not prove false to plain obligations before God and man, not less than a twenty-five per cent. advance in receipts is absolutely essential for the coming year. With this aim before us we feel that in looking back over the past year we have reason to "thank God and take courage."

A detailed list of the Missionaries and their stations (thirty four in number) is embraced in the Clergy list. The length of service compensated at each station appears in the report of the Treasurer, which also shows receipts in detail side by side with apportionments made as a basis for work. The schedule of prospective receipts and expenditures for the coming year will follow the present report when printed in the Appendix.

APPORTIONMENTS AND APPROPRIATIONS MADE BY THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE FOR THE CONVENTIONAL YEAR, 1895-96.

PARISHES AND MISSIONS.	Apportionments.	Appropriations.
Arlington, St. James's	$ 75 00	
Averill, Mission		$100 00
Barre, Church of the Good Shepherd	25 00	300 00
Bellows Falls, Immanuel Church	200 00	
Bethel, Christ Church	25 00	
Royalton, St. Paul's	15 00	
Bennington, St. Peter's	120 00	
Brandon, St. Thomas's	55 00	
Forestdale, Grace Church	5 00	100 00
Brattleboro, St. Michael's	100 00	
Guilford, Christ Church	10 00	
Burlington, St. Paul's	625 00	
Cambridge Boro, Holy Cross	10 00	
Cambridge Centre, Holy Apostles	6 00	500 00
Jericho, Calvary Church	13 00	
Fair Haven, St. Luke's	50 00	
Hydeville, St. James's	10 00	
Castleton, St. Faith's	5 00	300 00
Chester, St. Luke's	40 00	
Proctorsville, Gethsemane Church	13 00	200 00
East Berkshire, Calvary Church	30 00	
Montgomery, Union Church	20 00	
Middlebury, St. Stephen's	65 00	
East Middlebury, St. Barnabas	5 00	100 00
Enosburgh, Christ Church	30 00	100 00
Enosburgh Falls, St. Matthew's	50 00	
Fairfax, Christ Church	20 00	
Georgia, Emmanuel Church	13 00	425 00
Milton, Trinity Church	20 00	
Highgate, St. John's	15 00	200 00
Sheldon, Grace Church	13 00	
Island Pond, Christ Church	40 00	300 00
Manchester, St. John's	10 00	
Manchester Centre, Zion Church	50 00	
Montpelier, Christ Church	200 00	
Newport, St. Mark's	25 00	300 00
North Troy, St. Augustine's	10 00	
Northfield, St. Mary's	44 00	
Poultney, St. John's	75 00	
Wells, St. Paul's	5 00	50 00
Randolph, Grace Church	25 00	175 00
West Randolph, St. John's	30 00	

APPORTIONMENTS AND APPROPRIATIONS MADE BY THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE FOR THE CONVENTIONAL YEAR, 1895-96.

PARISHES AND MISSIONS.	Apportionments.	Appropriations.
Richford, St. Ann's	10 00	150 00
Rutland, Trinity Church	500 00	
Shelburne, Trinity Church	125 00	
Springfield, St. Mark's	5 00	
St. Albans, St. Luke's	200 00	
St. Johnsbury, St. Andrew's	75 00	
with Lyndonville and Victory		350 00
Swanton, Holy Trinity Church	30 00	200 00
Vergennes, St. Paul's	75 00	
West Rutland, Grace Church	35 00	
White River Junction, St. Paul's	35 00	300 00
with Olcott		
Windsor, St. Paul's	60 00	
Winooski, Trinity Church	20 00	150 00
Woodstock, St. James's	50 00	
General Missionary		1,600 00
Total	$3,417 00	$5,900 00

[APPENDIX I.]

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

RECEIPTS.

Apportionments.			
	Balance from last report,		$947 69
$ 50.	Arlington, St. James's,	$ 50 00	
20.	Barre, Good Shepherd,	20 00	
190.	Bellows Falls, Immanuel,	121 71	
20.	Bethel, Christ,	20 00	
80.	Bennington, St. Peter's,	80 00	
50.	Brandon, St. Thomas's,	30 11	
80.	Brattleboro, St. Michael's,	80 00	
550.	Burlington, St. Paul's,	522 18	
7.	Cambridge Boro, Holy Cross,	7 00	
9.	Cambridge Centre, Holy Apostles,	3 75	
40.	Chester, St. Luke's,	12 79	
20.	East Berkshire, Calvary,	20 00	
5.	East Middlebury, St. Barnabas,		
25.	Enosburgh, Christ,	25 00	
30.	Enosburgh Falls, St. Matthew's,	30 00	
20.	Fairfax, Christ,	20 00	
40.	Fair Haven, St. Luke's,	40 00	
5.	Forestdale, Grace,	3 69	
10.	Georgia, Emmanuel,	10 00	
15.	Guilford, Christ,	15 70	
10.	Highgate, St. John's,	10 14	
10.	Hydeville, St. James's,	10 00	

$ 30.	Island Pond, Christ,	$30 00	
10.	Jericho, Calvary,	10 00	
10.	Manchester, St. John's,	10 00	
40.	Manchester Centre, Zion,	40 00	
50.	Middlebury, St. Stephen's,	35 00	
15.	Milton, Trinity,	15 00	
20.	Montgomery, Union,	20 00	
175.	Montpelier, Christ,	165 00	
20.	Newport, St. Mark's,	14 22	
35.	Northfield, St. Mary's,	35 02	
10.	North Troy, St. Augustine's,	2 50	
60.	Poultney, St. John's,	60 00	
10.	Proctorsville, Gethsemane,	3 00	
25.	Randolph, Grace,	25 00	
10.	Richford, St. Ann's,	7 13	
10.	Royalton, St. Paul's,	10 00	
400.	Rutland, Trinity,	240 25	
10.	Sheldon, Grace,	10 00	
100.	Shelburne, Trinity,	100 00	
5.	Springfield, St. Mark's,	5 00	
175.	St. Albans, St. Luke's,	87 32	
50.	St. Johnsbury, St. Andrew's,	50 00	
20.	Swanton, Holy Trinity,	20 00	
60.	Vergennes, St. Paul's,	60 00	
5.	Wells, St. Paul's,	3 05	
25.	West Randolph, St. John's,	22 26	
25.	West Rutland, Grace,	25 00	
30.	White River Junction, St. Paul's,	20 00	
55.	Windsor, St. Paul's,	39 00	
15.	Winooski, Trinity,	16 20	
40.	Woodstock, St. James's,	40 65	
			$2,352 67
$2,831.	Convention offertory,	$53 35	

Vermont Episcopal Institute,	$ 50 00	
Board of Land Agents,	820 00	
Trustees of the Diocese,	364 10	
Woman's Auxiliary,	512 50	
Missionary meeting, Woodstock,	36 27	
" " Rutland,	14 83	
" " St. Albans,	12 52	
J. C. Batcheller,	10 00	
(For arrears of 1893-4.)		
Arlington, St. James's,	25 00	
East Middlebury, St. Barnabas,	5 00	
White River Junction, St. Paul's	20 00	
		$1,923 57
		$5,223 93

PAYMENTS.

Stipends to Missionaries, viz :—

Station at Averill,	12 Months,	$ 50 00
Barre,	12	300 00
East Middlebury,	12	100 00
Enosburgh,	12	100 00
Fairfax, Etc.,	12	425 00
Fair Haven, Etc.,	12	300 00
Forestdale,	12	100 00
Highgate, Etc.,	9	150 00
Island Pond,	11	275 00
Jericho, Etc.,	7	291 67
Newport, Etc.,	12	300 00
Proctorsville,	9¼	154 00
Randolph,	12	175 00
Richford,	9	112 50
Springfield,	10⅔	120 83
Wells,	12	50 00

White River Junction,	12	$ 300 00
Winooski,	12	150 00
General Missionary,	12	1,600 00
		$5,054 00
Balance on hand,		169 93
		$5,223 93

EDWARD L. TEMPLE,

Treasurer.

Rutland, Vt., June 20, 1895.

MONTPELIER, June 20, 1895.

The undersigned hereby certify that they have examined the respective accounts of the Treasurer of the Diocese and find the same to be correct and sustained by proper vouchers.

JESSE BURDETT,
JOHN N. WOODFIN,
MARTIN H. DEMING,
Committee on Finance.

[APPENDIX J.]

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

VISITATION OFFERINGS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last report,	$ 326 11
Bellows Falls, Immanuel,	15 65
Bethel, Christ,	3 79
Bennington, St. Peter's,	14 18
Brandon, St. Thomas's,	7 98
Brattleboro, St. Michael's,	17 00
Burlington, St. Paul's, (from last year)	49
Cambridge Boro, Holy Cross,	1 70
Castleton, St. Faith's,	3 69
Chester, St. Luke's,	2 05
East Berkshire, Calvary,	2 35
Enosburgh, Christ,	1 85
Enosburgh Falls, St. Matthew's,	5 73
Fairfax, Christ,	4 46
Fairfield, Trinity,	2 00
Fair Haven, St. Luke's,	3 09
Forestdale, Grace,	1 03
Georgia, Emmanuel,	2 05
Guilford, Christ,	5 66

Highgate, St. John's,	$ 2 40
Hydeville, St. James's,	3 68
Island Pond, Christ,	5 12
Jericho, Calvary,	5 15
Middlebury, St. Stephen's,	6 95
Milton, Trinity,	1 22
Montgomery, Union,	2 15
Newport, St. Mark's,	11 40
Northfield, St. Mary's,	3 66
North Troy, St. Augustine's,	6 00
Poultney, St. John's,	5 42
Proctorsville, Gethsemane,	8 85
Richford, St. Ann's,	90
Royalton, St. Paul's,	3 87
Rutland, Trinity,	11 24
Sheldon, Grace,	3 15
St. Albans, St. Luke's,	13 70
St. Johnsbury, St. Andrew's,	15 77
Swanton, Holy Trinity,	4 01
Wells, St. Paul's,	2 65
West Randolph, St. John's,	6 05
West Rutland, Grace,	16 80
White River Junction, St. Paul's,	7 54
Windsor, St. Paul's,	17 00
Winooski, Trinity,	22 83
Hanover, N. H., St. Thomas's,	5 50
	$613 87

PAYMENTS.

On orders of the Bishop to—

Rev. B. W. Atwell,	$ 9 00
Rev. Thomas Bell,	10 00
Rev. A. A. Cairns,	30 00
Rev. J. C. Flanders,	46 00
Rev. S. E. Hanger,	8 90
Rev. L. M. Hardy,	5 00
Rev. V. W. Haughton,	55 00
Rev. C. W. McCully,	10 00
Mr. W. C. Hopkins,	2 80
Balance on hand,	437 17
	$613 87

EDWARD L. TEMPLE,
Treasurer.

Rutland, Vt., June 20, 1895.

MONTPELIER, Vt., June 20, 1895.

The undersigned hereby certify that they have examined the respective accounts of the Treasurer of the Diocese and find the same to be correct and sustained by proper vouchers.

JESSE BURDETT,
JOHN N. WOODFIN,
MARTIN H. DEMING,
} *Committee on Finance.*

[APPENDIX K.]

General Missions.

RECEIPTS.

Bellows Falls, Immanuel,	$17 96
Brandon, St. Thomas's,	4 88
Burlington, St. Paul's,	174 06
Cambridge Boro, Holy Cross,	2 84
Cambridge Centre, Holy Apostles,	1 25
Fairfax. Christ,	9 01
Georgia, Emmanuel,	5 45
Jericho, Calvary,	5 45
Manchester Centre, Zion,	8 93
Milton, Trinity,	12 73
Montpelier, Christ,	76 68
Northfield, St. Mary's,	17 33
Poultney, St. John's,	1 63
Randolph, Grace,	6 47
Royalton, St. Paul's,	15 00
Rutland, Trinity,	30 00
Vergennes, St. Paul's,	10 00
West Randolph, St. John's,	15 42
Windsor, St. Paul's,	14 00
	$429 09

PAYMENTS.

To George Bliss, Treasurer, New York, $429 09

EDWARD L. TEMPLE,

Treasurer.

Rutland, Vt., June 20, 1895.

MONTPELIER, VT., June 19, 1895.

The undersigned hereby certify that they have examined the respective accounts of the Treasurer of the Diocese and find the same to be correct and sustained by proper vouchers.

JESSE BURDETT,
JOHN N. WOODFIN,
MARTIN H. DEMING,
Committee on Finance.

[APPENDIX L.]

Bishop's Salary.

PAROCHIAL ASSESSMENTS PAID.

Bethel, Christ,	$ 5 00
Bennington, St. Peter's,	20 00
Berkshire, Calvary,	5 00
Brandon, St. Thomas's,	10 00
Brattleboro, St. Michael's,	15 00
Chester, St. Luke's,	10 00
Enosburgh Falls, St. Matthew's,	5 00
Guilford, Christ,	2 00
Hydeville, St. James's,	4 00
Middlebury, St. Stephen's,	5 00
Montgomery, Union,	4 00
" " (arrears)	12 00
Randolph, Grace,	5 00
Royalton, St. Paul's,	3 00
St. Johnsbury, St. Andrew's,	12 00
Wells, St. Paul's,	2 00
West Rutland, Grace,	3 00
Woodstock, St. James's,	15 00
	$137 00

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last report,	$ 223 30
From H. L. Ward, Treasurer Episcopal Fund,	2,331 19
From assessments on parishes, as above :	137 00
Balance due Treasurer, [accrued interest not due $626.10.]	308 51
	$3,000 00

PAYMENTS.

Salary for 12 months from June 1, 1894 to June 1, 1895,	$3,000 00

UNPAID ASSESSMENTS.

Bellows Falls, Immanuel, 1894,	$50 00
Poultney, St. John's, 1894,	5 00
West Randolph, St. John's, 1892,	5 00
" " 1894.	5 00

EDWARD L. TEMPLE,

Treasurer.

Rutland, June 20, 1895.

MONTPELIER, Vt., June 20, 1895.

The undersigned hereby certify that they have examined the respective accounts of the Treasurer of the Diocese and find the same to be correct and sustained by proper vouchers.

JESSE BURDETT,
JOHN N. WOODFIN,
MARTIN H. DEMING,
} *Committee on Finance.*

[APPENDIX M.]

Convention Expenses.

RECEIPTS.

Arlington, St. James's,	$ 30 00
Barre, Good Shepherd,	6 00
Bethel, Christ,	12 00
Bennington, St. Peter's,	42 00
Brandon, St. Thomas's,	24 00
Brattleboro, St. Michael's	37 50
Burlington, St. Paul's,	140 00
Chester, St. Luke's,	18 00
Enosburgh, Christ,	4 50
Enosburgh Falls, St. Matthew's,	15 00
Fairfax, Christ,	4 50
Fair Haven, St. Luke's,	10 00
" " (arrears)	6 00
Hydeville, St. James's,	5 00
Island Pond, Christ,	9 00
" " (arrears)	6 00
Manchester Centre, Zion,	21 00
Middlebury, St. Stephen's,	35 00
Montgomery, Union,	6 00
" " (arrears)	21 00
Montpelier, Christ,	75 00
Newport, St. Mark's, (arrears)	4 00

Northfield, St. Mary's,	$15 00
North Troy, St. Augustine's,	5 00
Poultney, St. John's,	30 00
Randolph, Grace,	6 00
Royalton, St. Paul's,	5 00
Rutland, Trinity,	125 00
Sheldon, Grace,	5 00
Shelburne, Trinity,	15 00
St. Albans, St. Luke's,	100 00
St. Johnsbury, St. Andrew's,	42 00
Swanton, Holy Trinity, (part)	6 00
Vergennes, St. Paul's,	24 00
West Randolph, St. John's,	10 00
White River Junction, St. Paul's,	9 00
Windsor, St. Paul's,	15 00
Winoóski, Trinity,	5 00
Woodstock, St. James's,	15 00
Balance due Treasurer,	1 37
	$964 87

PAYMENTS.

Balance from last report,	$380.79
Printing and distributing Journal,	387.24
Expenses of Missionary Committee,	57.80
Expenses of Standing Committee,	15.10
Distributing Bishop Coleman's sermon,	6.19
Printing and postage,	4.58
Traveling expenses of clergy at Convention of 1895,	94.17
Final assessment of General Convention of 1892,	19.00
	$964.87

UNPAID ASSESSMENTS.

Bellows Falls, Immanuel, 1894,	$67.50
Newport, St. Marks, 1894,	6.00
Northfield, St. Mary's, 1892,	15.00
Richford, St. Ann's, 1894,	4.50

EDWARD L. TEMPLE,

Treasurer.

Rutland, Vt., June 20, 1895.

Montpelier, June 20, 1895.

The undersigned hereby certify that they have examined the respective accounts of the Treasurer of the Diocese and find the same to be correct and sustained by proper vouchers.

JESSE BURDETT,
JOHN N. WOODFIN,
MARTIN H. DEMING,
Committee on Finance.

[APPENDIX N.]

APPROPRIATIONS

BY THE

Board of Land Agents.

JUNE, 1895.

Arlington, St. James' Church,	$ 46 00
Brandon, St. Thomas's,	100 00
Barre, Mission,	100 00
Berkshire, East, Calvary,	50 00
Bethel, Christ, / Royalton, St. Paul's,	120 00
Castleton, Mission,	50 00
Chester, St. Luke's,	75 00
Enosburgh, Christ,	95 00
Enosburgh Falls, St. Matthew's,	95 00
Fairfax, Christ,	70 00
Fair Haven, St. Luke's,	50 00
Georgia, Emmanuel,	70 00
Guilford, Christ,	50 00
Hydeville, St. James's,	50 00
Highgate, St. John's, / Sheldon, Grace,	180 00

Island Pond, Christ,	$ 95 00
Manchester Center, Zion,	75 00
Milton, Trinity,	70 00
Montgomery, Union,	75 00
Newport, St. Mark's,	50 00
Northfield, St. Mary's,	75 00
Poultney, St. John's,	95 00
Proctorsville, Mission,	95 00
Randolph, Grace,	75 00
Randolph, West, St. John's,	75 00
Richford, St. Ann's,	75 00
Swanton, Holy Trinity,	75 00
North Troy, St. Augustine's,	50 00
Winooski, Trinity,	35 00
Windsor, St. Paul's,	50 00
Wells, St. Paul's,	30 00
White River Junction, St. Paul's, Olcott, Missions,	150 00
Diocesan Missions,	820 00
	$3,266 00

[APPENDIX O.]

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

OF THE

Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont.

To the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont:

Your Treasurer submits the following report for the year from June 6, 1894, to June 18, 1895:

Bills receivable,	$24,077 69	
Stocks,	20,150 00	
Rutland Trust Co.,	1,105 02	
Expense account,	25 50	
Cash,	84 00	
Interest account,		$ 747 82
Howard Land Fund,		5,611 56
Lois Smith Fund,		1,072 53
Andrew Buck Fund,		1,250 00
Mrs. John A. Conant Fund,		3,542 79
Abram Stearns Fund,		500 00
Betsey Canfield Fund,		1,730 58
St. Thomas's Church Fund, Brandon.		1,500 00
Permanent Missionary Fund,		884 00

Mrs. C. W. Conant Fund,	$ 100 00
Parsonage Aid Fund,	178 93
B. R. Phelps Fund,	16 36
Olivia Flynn Fund,	150 00
Grace Church Organ Fund,	121 18
John P. Howard Fund,	20,000 00
Grace Church, Sheldon, Fund,	1,069 19
Rev. Theodore A. Hopkins Fund,	500 00
Lucretia Miller Thayer Fund,	1,100 00
Samantha Crampton Fund,	200 00
St. Paul's Church, Windsor, Fund,	565 00
Trinity Church, Rutland, Fund,	48 61
Christ Church, Enosburgh, Fund,	55 80
Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund,	465 86
Bishop Bissell Missionary Fund,	1,032 10
Mrs. Hannah V. Howard Fund,	2,000 00
Mary Catherine Sabin Fund,	1,000 00
	$45,442 21 $45,442 21

We, the undersigned having verified the foregoing account of Edson P. Gilson, Treasurer of the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont, find the same correct and the securities as stated in this report.

GEO. R. BOTTUM,
JAMES B. JONES,
DANIEL W. ROBINSON, } *Auditors of the Trust Funds of the Diocese of Vermont.*

Net interest received since the last annual report, June 6, 1894, amounts to $2,355.28, which added to the amount on hand as shown in said report $528.72, amounts to $2,884.00.

The disbursements have been as follows:

Thos. H. Canfield, Treasurer of the Vermont Episcopal Institute,	$980 00
E. L. Temple, Treasurer for Diocesan Missions,	364 10

Rev. G. A. Wilkins, Christ Church, Bethel,	$ 5 21
Rev. J. B. Trevett, Christ Church, Bethel,	57 40
Rev. Gemont Graves, Christ Church, Fairfax,	50 00
St. Thomas's Church, Brandon,	42 50
St. Mary's Church, Northfield,	55 00
Rev. Edw. S. Stone, Christ Church, Enosburgh,	10 00
Rev. Edw. N. Goddard, St. Paul's Church, Windsor,	28 24
Rev. Jas. C. Carnahan, St. James's Church, Arlington,	75 24
Miss Martha A. Thurber,	11 28
St. Andrew's Church, St. Johnsbury,	25 00
St. Stephen's Church, Middlebury,	177 12
St. Paul's Church, Burlington,	130 00
	$2,011 09

The several Funds to which the interest was added to the principal are as follows:

Parsonage Aid Fund,	$ 8 60	
B. R. Phelps Fund,	79	
Grace Church Fund, Sheldon,	51 51	
Endowment Fund, Trinity Church, Rutland,	2 33	
Endowment Fund, Christ Church, Enosburgh,	2 02	
Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund,	21 90	
Bishop Bissell Missionary Fund,	32 10	
Grace Church Organ Fund, Sheldon,	5 83	
Permanent Missionary Fund,	01	
		$125 09
		$2,136 18
Balance of interest on hand as per statement,		747 82

There are no current expense charges during the year past.

"THE HOWARD LAND FUND."

This Fund was created as you know by a gift in 1882 of over two thousand acres of land in Minnesota and Wisconsin, by Mr. John P. Howard of Burlington. The last of said lands have been sold during the past year, thereby increasing said Fund during the year, after paying all taxes and expenses, $713 32; making a permanent Fund of $5,611.56 as shown in the statement above, the income of which will be paid towards the support of Diocesan Missions in accordance with the terms of said gift.

"THE BISHOP BISSELL MEMORIAL FUND."

This fund has been increased by a gift of $5.00 which with the interest added during the year makes the fund $465.86 as per statement.

The Endowment Fund of Christ Church, Enosburgh, has been increased during the year by said Parish, $13.59.

THE BISHOP BISSELL MISSIONARY FUND.

This fund has been increased $300 during the year by a member of the family of the late Bishop Bissell, making the Fund at present $1,032.10, as per statement.

THE MARTHA SHIPMAN TAYLOR MEMORIAL FUND.

This Fund is created by the will of the late Lorinda Taylor of Proctorsville, in accordance with the expressed wishes of her daughter, Miss Martha Shipman Taylor, who was taken to Paradise only a few months previous to her mother's death. Miss Taylor had labored hard, even unto death, to help to accumulate this property for the benefit of the little Mission in Proctorsville—Gethsemane Church—for

which she did so much in her life-time, and by this loving provision, the Church will continue to feel her helping hand to the end of time. The will reads as follows :

"In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

I, Lorinda Taylor, of Proctorsville in the town of Cavendish, county of Windsor, and state of Vermont, being of sound mind and memory and understanding, do hereby make, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament, revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time heretofore made.

I give, devise and bequeath to the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont, a corporation existing under the laws of the State of Vermont, all my estate, real, of which I shall be seized or possessed, or to which I shall be entitled at the time of my decease; to have and to hold the same to them and their successors and assigns forever, in loving memory of my daughter, Martha Shipman Taylor, late deceased, in *trust* for the following purposes and under the following conditions, to-wit :

First. The said Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont or their successors in office, may at any time when in their judgment it seems for the best interests of said trust, hereby created, sell any or all of the real estate belonging to the said trust and invest the proceeds thereof, in well secured notes or lands, the income of which shall be used as hereinafter provided.

Second. The fund hereby constituted shall be known as the Martha Shipman Taylor Memorial Fund, for the benefit of Gethsemane Protestant Episcopal Church, Proctorsville, in the Diocese of Vermont.

Third. The net income of said fund shall be paid annually or semi-annually, as the case may be, to the Treasurer

or Rector in charge of said Gethsemane Church, towards the general expenses of said Church.

Fourth. In case religious services in conformity with the liturgy and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, shall be suspended in said Church or Mission for the time of twelve (12) consecutive months, there being no legally settled Rector or Minister in charge during said time, then and in such case the income that may accrue during such suspension of service shall be added to and become a part of said fund hereinbefore named, and the net income of the new fund so created shall be paid to the said Church, as before provided, from the time a Rector shall be legally settled or a Minister in charge appointed.

Fifth. If at any time said Church or Mission shall have no Rector or Minister, in charge for the full period of five (5) consecutive years, then the net income of said Fund and its increments shall be paid by said Trustees for the benefit of Diocesian Missions in the southern counties of the Diocese of Vermont.

But if at any time after the said Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont shall in accordance with the forgoing provision have paid the net income of said Fund for the benefit of Diocesian Missions as aforesaid, the said Gethsemane Church or Mission shall be revived, and the same shall be supplied with such Rector or Minister in charge for the period of one full year, then the net income of said Fund, increased as aforesaid, shall be paid over to said Church or Mission as before provided; and when under these provisions thereafter there is no Rector or Minister in charge to entitle the said Church or Mission to said net income as hereinbefore provided, then the said net income shall be paid by the said Trustees for the benefit of Diocesian Missions as aforesaid.

Sixth. It shall not impair the right of said Church or Mission to receive said net income for the purpose hereinbefore provided, because the Rector or Minister in charge officiates at the same time as such in any Mission or Parish of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Vermont, the Church edifice of which shall be situated within twelve miles from Gethsemane Church in Proctorsville.

I appoint the Treasurer of the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont as sole executor of this my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal and publish and declare this to be my last will and testament, in presence of the Witnesses named below, this nineteenth day of February, in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-Four.

LORINDA TAYLOR. [SEAL.]

Signed, sealed, declared and published by the said Lorinda Taylor as and for her last will and testament in the presence of us, who, at her request and in her presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses hereunto.

GEORGE A. SPAFFORD, Proctorsville, Vt.
RICHARD H. LANE, Ludlow, Vt.
EDSON P. GILSON, Rutland, Vt.

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The said will is still under administration for the reason that one creditor appealed from the decision of the Commissioners, and his case has gone to the County Court. The real estate has all been sold, amounting to about $2,850.

THE MARY CATHERINE SABIN FUND.

This Fund was created by the second clause of the last will and testament of William H. Sabin, which reads as follows:

"Second. I give and bequeath to my son, George K. Sabin of Brookline, State of Massachusetts, and to his successors in this trust, the sum of twelve hundred dollars, to be held by him and his successors *in trust* for the following uses and purposes and no other, namely: To keep the same securely invested upon first mortgage of improved real estate on annual interest, and out of the said interest, first, to place a memorial window in the St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church building in said Windsor, suitably located and inscribed to the memory of my first wife and myself, with dates of birth and death of each of us, and to keep said window in proper repair and replace the same if necessary; second, to keep my family lot aforesaid in a neat and proper condition; third, that the balance of said interest annually (less the legal and necessary expenses of the management of said trust fund) be paid over to the Wardens of said St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church to be used and expended by said Wardens towards the annual salary of the Rector officiating in said Church according to the rules and usages of said Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. I give and provide said trust fund for the uses and purposes aforesaid as a perpetual fund and as a memento of my first wife, Mary Catherine Sabin, who was a devoted member of said Church."

Only one thousand dollars has been reveived as yet toward this fund, as per statement.

I have received notice of a bequest by will of the late Albert B. Marsh of Bethel, which reads as follows:

"I give the sum of $200 to the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont in trust for the following purposes, to-wit: I direct that the income only of the said $200 shall be expended, and said income shall be expended for the following purposes, and in the order and preference following: First, to keep in repair the fence around the burial ground of old Christ Church, Bethel, Vt.; Second, to keep in order and repair the grounds around said church and the church building itself."

The money mentioned in this last bequest has not been received by this corporation.

Legislation was had at the last General Assembly of the State, enlarging somewhat the powers of the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont. Section 6, of No. 173 of the Acts of 1880, was amended so as to read as follows:

"The powers and duties of said corporation shall be to receive, hold, and properly dispose of all estate, real and personal, which may be given, granted, conveyed, devised, bequeathed or transferred to it, in trust for any religious, charitable or educational use or purpose connected with the Protestant Episcopal Church in said Diocese, or any portion thereof or for the aid, benefit or advancement of any parish or society or congregation, or any religious, charitable or educational association of churchmen in said Diocese, and to act as executor of wills when nominated as such therein, or as administrator of any estate or trustee of trust fund, when appointed as such by the probate court, at the request of all parties interested therein; and may act without bonds when such request is made; and the clear yearly income of such real estate shall not exceed twenty thousand dollars, and from the whole property held by said corporation the clear yearly income shall not exceed fifty thousand dollars.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect from its passage.

Approved November 23, 1894."

Under the act of the legislature, approved November 20, 1886, and in accordance with a resolution passed by the Diocesan Convention of 1887, all of which can be found on pages 15 and 16 of the Journal of 1887, the real estate held by the Trustees of the Parochial Fund of the Diocese of Vermont has been transferred to the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont by James H. Williams, agent, duly appointed for that purpose. In making said transfer, we are reminded of the great importance of using care when deeding property to a corporation. Out of several deeds of real estate held by the "Trustees of the Parochial Fund of the Diocese of Vermont," not one of said deeds carried the legal title of said corporation.

I desire to call attention to the matter of *insurance* on *Parish property* standing in the name of the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont, in trust. It is *important* that all such policies be *legally* issued, and the loss, if any, made payable to this corporation. It would be better if the policies were in the custody of the Treasurer of the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont; or at least, that he be duly notified of the issue of said policies, the time they expire, and that all dues or premiums are paid. All *maturial* interest on the investments made by this corporation are paid, and no losses have occurred.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

E. P. GILSON, *Treasurer.*

[APPENDIX P.]

REPORT OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Twenty-five years ago the General Convention was responsible for the following statement:

"Parish Schools are institutions for the proper union of religious with intellectual discipline and instruction.

The multiplication of such schools is called for by our Church principles, and is indispensable to the carrying out in its integrity the Church plan of education.

Without the establishment of schools of decisively Church character, such as we have supposed Parish schools to be, our children cannot go to school without danger to their Christian principle and their moral character."

This quotation shows the Church's idea of the education of her children.

Two things in this connection are very apparent.

1. That the public schools of the United States do not and cannot give religious instruction.

2. That our children cannot be properly educated without constant definite religious training in their school life.

What is the remedy for this?

Your Committee is of the opinion that the Parish school system affords a reasonable solution to this deeply important

question, and wishes to put itself on record as recommending to the consideration of the Diocese the institution, where possible, of Parochial schools.

The present status of the Church in regard to Parish schools is decidedly weak. The Convention Report for 1892, gives the entire number of schools as 159, with 10,246 pupils. Of this number, three jurisdictions alone furnish 3,548, viz: Maryland 1,117, Shanghai 1,210, Cape Palmas 1,221, leaving in the United States only about 7,000 Parochial school scholars.

There are in our Sunday Schools over 390,000 children, receiving, perhaps, 52 hours of religious instruction a year, about as much (in time) as they would receive in secular instruction in 9 days.

Some of these children attend Diocesan Schools, and in this way have the privilege of a thorough training according to the Church's idea of education, but the proportion is very small.

The vast majority can never go to Diocesan Schools, however low the tuition may be. They are the rank and file of our children. Their parents send them to the nearest school in their own town, and are generally satisfied if they learn a little secular knowledge during the week, and less religious knowledge on the Sunday.

Our 2,000 Sunday School children in Vermont cannot all be sent to Bishop Hopkins' Hall and the Episcopal Institute. If they are to have their religious training side by side with their daily schooling, they must go where the things which a Christian ought to know and believe to his soul's health are accorded a place as high as geography and spelling. This the State School of course cannot do since it lacks both knowledge and authority. The Diocesan School of course is out of the question for the great body of our peo-

ple. The Parish school seems to be the natural answer to the question, "How shall our children be educated?" for it is not a question of secular as *versus* religious education which we have to consider, but education as such includes the training of all the faculties—the uplifting of all the powers which God has given us.

Granted that the institution of Parochial schools is both desirable and wise, your Committee is not forgetful of the difficulties, financial and otherwise, which may interfere with their success. We have the free public school system to contend with. Our Parish schools need not necessarily be free. There are buildings to erect, teachers to provide, a whole system to set in operation. All this will require money, anxiety and hard work, but it can be done. We have only to observe the success of this department in the Roman Catholic Parishes in every town.

We have mentioned the Parish schools of Shanghai and Cape Palmas. We may further mention them in West Virginia, North Carolina, Montana and Nevada. Dioceses by no means strong, with an average of only 2,500 Communicants, there are twenty-seven Parish schools, having almost 1,000 children under instruction.

At Arlington, in our own Diocese, a school was established last year, the Rector taking some of the classes himself.

Your Committee is of the opinion that the cause of education would be materially advanced if Parochial schools should be judiciously established in a number of our Parishes. In many towns there is a demand from wealthy parents for small private schools where they may safely send their young children.

A Parish school begun in a small way would at once sup-

ply this demand, and find, in supplying it, a source of income, for such children should be paying scholars.

Public schools are decidedly not the place for our Church children.

Agnosticism is often openly taught, and the highest Christian virtues are often practically suppressed.

The text books of public schools are often not such as the Church would approve. Notably in historical text books, and in the teaching as to temperance found in the text books upon physiology, and also in the relation of morality to religion. There is no assurance that the text books employed will be in accordance with Church doctrine.

The Church can sometimes meet the lack of Kindergarten training in the public schools by the establishment of schools of this character under parochial auspices. This plan has been carried out with success in other Dioceses.

These same children can be sent at more advanced age, if necessary, to public schools, with a ground work of religious training which will enable them to withstand the positive dangers and the negative evils of an education divorced from religion.

EDMUND B. SMITH,

Chairman.

[APPENDIX Q.]

THE VERMONT BRANCH

OF THE

Woman's Auxiliary.

TO THE

BOARD OF MISSIONS.

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

The sixteenth annual meeting of the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions was held in St. Paul's Church, Burlington, October 15th, 16th and 17th, 1894.

MONDAY, 8 P. M.

Evening prayer was read by the Rev. E. B. Smith of Vergennes, and the Rev. George B. Johnston, the Bishop's Chaplain. The sermon was preached by the Rt. Rev. Arthur C. A. Hall, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese.

7:30 A. M. TUESDAY.

October 16th.

Holy Communion was celebrated by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. J. Isham Bliss, D. D., and the Rev. George Y. Bliss.

At 9:30 morning prayer was read by the Rev. J. Isham Bliss, D. D., assisted by the Rev. Mr. Brown of White River Junction.

10 A. M. TUESDAY.

The regular annual meeting of the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary met in St. Paul's Chapel, Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, the President, Mrs. Laura M. Gray, being in the chair.

The roll of delegates was called, those present being as follows:

St. James's Church, Arlington,	Mrs. James C. Carnahan, Mrs. Jesse Burdette, Mrs. Rollin Judson.
Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls,	Mrs. W. J. Conant, Mrs. F. P. Hadley.
St. Peter's Church, Bennington,	Mrs. Charles Barnes, Mrs. H. W. Martin, Mrs Eugenia Riddle.
Calvary Church, Berkshire,	Mrs. Daniel Moren, Mrs. E. P. Wadleigh, Mrs. E. A. Perley.
Christ Church, Bethel,	Miss Carolyn Curtis.
St. Thomas's Church, Brandon,	Mrs. W. R. Cooke, Miss Julia A. C. Jackson.
St. Paul's Church, Burlington,	Mrs. B. B. Smalley, Mrs. Elias Lyman, Mrs. G. W. Beckwith, Mrs. J. W. Balch.
St. Luke's Church, Chester.	Mrs. C. A. Sanders.
St. Matthew's Church, Enosburgh Falls,	Mrs. Gardner, Mrs. A. J. Darrow, Mrs. Nolan.
Christ Church, Fairfax,	Mrs. Wheeler.
St. James's Church, Hydeville.	Miss Hyde, Mrs. Bremer.
Christ Church, Island Pond.	Mrs. John Reeve.
Ladies' Society Zion Church, Manchester Centre,	Mrs. S. E. Thayer. Mrs. E. L. Wyman, Miss Mary Parsons.
Young Ladies' Guild,	Mrs. J. C. Flanders.

St. Stephen's Church, Middlebury,	Mrs. Edgerton.
Christ Church, Montpelier,	Mrs F. E. Smith, Mrs. J R. Moulton.
St. Mary's Guild, Northfield,	Miss Abbe Averill.
Ladies' Society,	Miss Mattie Johnston.
Grace Church, Randolph,	Mrs. C. M. Sawyer, Mrs. H. C. Gilbert.
Junior Branch, Randolph,	Miss Mattie Gilbert, Miss Bessie Holden.
St. John's Church, West Randolph,	Mrs. Homer White, Mrs. McIntire, Miss Ella Parsons.
St. Paul's Church, Royalton,	Miss Gertrude Dennison.
Trinity Mission, Rutland,	Mrs. Chas. E. Ross, Mrs. John N. Woodfin, Mrs. Wm B. Buckingham, Mrs. Geo. T. Chaffee.
Young Ladies' Guild,	Miss Mary E. Roberts, Miss Agnes Gilson.
Trinity Church Guild,	Mrs. E. L. Temple, Mrs. Chas. Turner.
Grace Church, West Rutland,	Mrs. Harmon.
St. Luke's Church, St. Albans,	Mrs. A. B. Flanders, Mrs. John A. Fitch, Mrs. J. M. Foss, Miss L. Wingstreet.
Junior Branch, St. Albans,	Miss Watson, Miss Brainard, Miss Soules
St. Andrew's Church, St. Johnsbury,	Mrs. E. R. Pike, Mrs. Frank Appleton.
Holy Trinity Church, Swanton,	Mrs. H. A. Burt, Mrs. C. C. Bourdon.
Trinity Church, Shelburne,	Mrs. Walter A. Weed, Mrs. B. W. Atwill.
St. Paul's Church, Vergennes,	Mrs. E. B. Smith, Mrs. Wm. W. Booth, Mrs. N. J. McCuen.
Woman's Auxiliary, St. Paul's Church, Windsor,	Miss Jessica White.
St. James's Church, Woodstock,	Mrs. G. W. Allen, Miss Mary Jones.
St. Paul's Mission, White River Junction,	Mrs. Pierce, Mrs. Brown.
St. Faith's Mission, Castleton,	Miss Carrie Styles.

Emmanuel Church, East Georgia,	Mrs. B. L. Donohue, Mrs. C. E. Gale, Mrs. C. B. Metcalf.
Calvary Church, Jericho,	Mrs. Frank Howe, Miss Ruth Sullick.
Trinity Mission, Winooski.	Mrs. Germont Graves, Mrs. J. D. Tanner, Mrs. Charles Shipman.

Reports of the Treasurer and Secretaries were then read and accepted.

An interesting report of the work of the Junior Auxiliary was given by the General Secretary of that Branch, Mrs. Thomas H. Canfield.

The following officers were then elected:

President—MRS. LAURA M. GRAY, Burlington.

First Vice-President—MRS. L. G. KINGSLEY, Rutland.

Second Vice-President—MRS. E. S. ALLEN, Woodstock.

Treasurer—MRS. EDMOND L. WYMAN, Manchester Center.

Corresponding Secretary—MRS. CHAS. E. ALLEN, Burlington.

Recording Secretary—MRS. EDSON P. GILSON, Rutland.

General Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary—MRS. THOMAS H. CANFIELD, Burlington.

DISTRICT MANAGERS.

Montpelier District—MRS. JOHN REEVE, Island Pond; MRS. L. P. GLEASON, Montpelier.

St. Albans District—MRS. HERBERT DEAN, East Berkshire; MRS. I. S. BOSTWICK, St. Albans.

Windsor District—MRS. G. W. PAUL, Woodstock; MRS. THOMPSON, Bellows Falls.

Burlington District—MRS. FULLER, Milton; MRS. S. W. HINDES, Vergennes.

Rutland District—MRS. C. M. NILES, Rutland; MRS. GEO. WOODCOCK, Manchester Center.

Appropriation Committee—MRS. C. E. ALLEN, MRS. W. B. BUCKINGHAM, MRS. JOHN REEVE, MRS. JESSE BURDETTE and MRS. JAMES M. FOSS.

Adjourned to 2 P. M.

The Convention was called to order by the President at 2 p. m., pursuant to adjournment, and a brief address was made by the Rev. Wm. J. Harris, D. D., Diocesan Missionary.

At 3.30 p. m., the Clergy and Delegates visited the Diocesan Schools at Rock Point where they were entertained at afternoon tea, after which they returned to Burlington, and were received by the ladies of St. Paul's Parish, in the Church parlors, where supper was served.

At 7 p. m., a Missionary Meeting was held in the Church with addresses by the Rt. Rev. Arthur C. A. Hall, D. D., and the Rt. Rev. James S. Johnston, Bishop of Western Texas, and the Rev. Frank Appleton of St. Johnsbury.

Adjourned until to-morrow 9 A. M.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 16, 1894.

The Committee was called to order at 9 a. m., by the President.

On motion of Mrs. Wyman,

The Convention proceeded to the consideration of Amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws as proposed by Mrs. Thos. H. Canfield at the previous annual meeting.

The following amendments and alterations to the Constitution were then adopted by a vote of Delegates represent-

ing two-thirds of the associations in union with this Branch of the Auxiliary.

Amend Article 2, so as to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2.

The object of this Branch shall be to diffuse missionary intelligence; to increase activity (among women, children and youth of the church); to unite previously existing societies in one common interest, recognizing all the church work done by the women of Vermont, whether for Parish, Diocesan or General Missions; and to aid all Missionaries to the best of our ability by our prayers and our sympathy, as well as by our offerings of money and boxes of clothing.

Amend Article 3, by adding at the end of the present article "Each Parish Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary shall be limited to five delegates, and each Junior Branch of the Parish to two delegates."

Amend Article 4, after the words Corresponding Secretary in second line insert "and a Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary; also two managers for each Missionary district."

Amend Article 8, so as to read as follows:

ARTICLE 8.

The Recording Secretary shall give notice of all general meetings of the Branch, and make all necessary arrangements with the railroads; shall keep a roll of the delegates in attendance and a record of such meetings, which shall be printed in the Convention Journal the following June.

Amend Article 11, so as to read as follows:

ARTICLE 11.

It is recommended that members of the Auxiliary shall be appointed in every Parish and Mission to obtain pledges for

systematic offerings for our Diocesan Auxiliary Fund, and, if necessary, the collection of the same.

Amend Article 12, so as to read as follows:

ARTICLE 12.

The Constitution shall only be altered or amended by a vote of delegates representing two-thirds of the members present.

Amend Article 14, so as to read as follows:

ARTICLE 14.

The annual meeting of the Branch shall be held on such day of September, October or November as the President may appoint. The semi-annual meeting of such Diocesan officers and delegates to the previous annual meeting as may be able to attend shall be holden on the day and at the place where the Diocesan Convention is held.

The By-Laws were then taken up and amended as follows:

By-Law No. 2, amended so as to read as follows:

BY-LAW 2. The Convention of the Vermont Branch shall be composed of delegates from the several Societies in union with the Branch, who are hereby authorized to act and vote upon all questions, *having previously to the meeting sent their names duly certified* as delegates to the Recording Secretary, to be incorporated in the roll.

By-Law No. 5, amended so as to read as follows:

By-Law 5. The funds sent to the Treasurer of the Vermont Branch of the Auxiliary are to be paid out according to appropriations made at the annual meeting, or according to the direction of the giver. Should there be occasion, the President and a majority of the Diocesan officers may make extra disbursements.

Add new By-Law to be numbered 6, as follows:

By-Law 6. It shall be the duty of the District Managers to arrange for public meetings in their Districts, and *report* the same to the Recording Secretary.

Add new By-Law to be numbered 7, as follows:

By-Law 7. No representative from the Junior Branches under 18 years of age, shall be allowed to vote at the general meetings.

By-Law No. 6, amended by changing the number to "8" instead of 6, and inserting after the word President "Vice-President."

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

On motion of Mrs. W. B. Buckingham,

Resolved, That the Recording Secretary shall publish a report of the officers elected at this meeting, the appropriations made, and the resolutions adopted; also that the Constitution and By-Laws, as amended, be printed and circulated.

On motion of Miss Brainerd.

Resolved, That hereafter at all meetings of the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, at the time of noon, all business shall be suspended, and earnest prayer shall be offered for the blessing of Almighty God upon the Missions of the Church; also, that each delegate will make personal effort to spread, in her Parish, the practice of noon intercessions for Missions.

On motion of Miss Mary E. Roberts,

Resolved, That the ladies of the Auxiliary unite in heartily thanking the Rector and Ladies of St. Paul's Parish for their most cordial hospitality.

The Chairman of the Appropriation Committee submitted the following list of appropriations, which were approved and adopted :

Diocesan Missionary,	$150 00
In addition to special offering,	600 00
Foreign Insurance Fund,	50 00
Colored student, South Carolina,	60 00
United offering,	50 00
Miss Emery's Contingent Fund,	10 00
Bishop Johnston of western Texas,	50 00
Expenses, Rev. W. J. Harris, D. D.,	10 00
Expenses, Rev. Frank Appleton,	10 00
Bishop Hall, for Barre,	100 00

Subscriptions for Barre, from the following Branches:

Arlington,	10 00
West Rutland,	10 00
Helping Hands, St. Albans,	10 00
Woodstock,	10 00
Island Pond,	5 00
Trinity Mission, Rutland,	50 00
Shelburne,	15 00
Berkshire,	5 00
St. Luke's, St. Albans,	20 00
Enosburgh Falls,	10 00
Bethel,	9 00
White River Junction,	5 00

Adjourned *sine die*.

MRS. LAURA M. GRAY,
President.

MRS. EDSON P. GILSON,
Secretary.

OFFICERS' MEETING.

MONTPELIER, June 19th, 1895.

According to a resolution passed in September, 1886, directing a special meeting of the officers of the Auxiliary to be held during the meeting of the Diocesan Convention, to whom the annual reports of the Treasurer and Secretaries were to be made, the following officers met in the parlors of the Pavilion Hotel, Wednesday, at 2:30 p. m.

MRS. L. G. KINGSLEY, *1st Vice-President;* MRS. E. S. ALLEN, *2nd Vice-President;* MRS. E. L. WYMAN, *Treasurer;* MRS. C. E. ALLEN, *Corresponding Secretary;* MRS. E. P. GILSON, *Recording Secretary;* MRS. THOS. H. CANFIELD, *General Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary.*

In the absence of the President, the 1st Vice-President, Mrs. L. G. Kingsley, called the meeting to order.

The Treasurer's report was read by Mrs. E. L. Wyman.

The Corresponding Secretary's report was read by Mrs. C. E. Allen.

The Recording Secretary's report was read by Mrs. E. P. Gilson.

The report of the General Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary was read by Mrs. Thomas H. Canfield.

The reports were accepted and adopted and ordered to be printed in the appendix to Journal.

The annual meeting will be held at St. Peter's church, Bennington, September 24 and 25, 1895.

On motion adjourned.

MRS. LEVI G. KINGSLEY,
Acting President.

MRS. EDSON P. GILSON,
Secretary.

A District Meeting of Rutland and Bennington Counties was held in Trinity Church, Rutland, on Tuesday, February 19th. About twenty-five ladies and a number of the clergy representing their several parishes in the district were present. The Holy Communion was celebrated at 11.30 by the Rector, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Harris. At the close of this service a lunch was served at the Rectory.

At 2 o'clock the Missionary meeting was held in the Church, at which addresses were made by the General Missionary concerning his work in the Diocese, and by the Rev. George Lynde Richardson of Bennington, who spoke of Domestic Missions; then followed an address by Miss Julia C. Emery upon the general work, and particularly the necessity of each one's giving toward the united offering. The meeting was a success in every way, and we trust each one present returned home with renewed interest in Missions.

MARY W. NILES, }
MRS. WOODCOCK, } *District Managers.*

Treasurer's Report.

EASTER 1894 to EASTER 1895.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last report,	$224 99
St. James's, Arlington, for Barre,	5 00
St. Peter's, Bennington (Gen. Miss. $10),	20 00
Christ, Bethel (Barre $9),	23 40
St. Thomas, Brandon,	15 00
St. Michael's, Brattleboro,	15 00
St. Paul's, Burlington ("In Memoriam" for united offering $18.19),	154 35
St. Luke's, Chester,	3 02
Calvary, Berkshire, for Barre,	5 00
St. Matthew's, Enosburgh Falls, for Barre,	10 00
St. James's, Hydeville,	10 00
Christ, Island Pond, for Barre,	5 00
Mrs. Reeve, Island Pond,	2 60
Zion, Manchester Centre (Barre $3, united offering $2.10),	10 10
Guild, Manchester Centre (Barre $2),	5 00
Trinity, Milton,	5 00
Christ, Montpelier,	20 00
St. Mary's, Northfield,	7 52
St. Paul's, Royalton,	8 90
Trinity, Rutland (Barre $50),	135 36
Mrs. H. H. Baxter, Rutland, for General Missions,	350 00

Trinity, Shelburne (Barre $40),	$ 65 00
Mrs. Wm. Seward Webb, Shelburne,	400 00
St. Luke's, St. Albans (Barre $20)	30 00
Junior Auxiliary, St. Albans, for Barre,	5 00
St. Andrew's, St. Johnsbury (Barre $15),	32 00
St. Paul's, Vergennes,	14 31
Grace, West Rutland, for Barre,	10 00
St. Paul's, White River Junction, for Church Missions House,	5 00
St. Paul's, Windsor,	12 50
Trinity, Winooski,	15 00
St. James, Woodstock (Barre $10).	25 00
Mrs. J. Strong, Washington, D. C., for General Missions,	1 00
Offerings at annual meeting,	63 96
Balance offerings at District Meeting, Bellows Falls,	30 18
Balance offering at District Meeting, Montgomery, for General Missions,	3 25
Balance offerings at District Meeting, Rutland,	6 54
Offerings at services of General Missions,	15 00
	$1,768 98

DISBURSEMENTS.

Diocesan Missionary's salary,	$591 67
Speakers at annual meeting—	
Bishop Johnston,	50 00
Rev. Frank Appleton,	10 00
Rev. Wm. J. Harris, D. D.,	10 00
Barre (General fund $100, specials $189),	289 00
Foreign Insurance fund,	50 00
Miss Emery's Contingent fund,	10 00
Colored student, Columbia, S. C.,	60 00

Deposited in Savings Bank for united offering (General fund $50, specials $20.29),	$ 70 29
Three lady Missionaries,	25 00
Church Missions House (Special),	5 00
Postage and printing—	
Treasurer,	1 50
Corresponding Secretary,	3 10
Recording Secretary,	14 45
	$1,190 01
Cash in hand,	578 97
	$1,768 98

MRS. E. L. WYMAN, *Treasurer.*

Manchester Centre, Vt., June 19, 1895.

REPORT OF THE

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

OF THE VERMONT BRANCH OF THE

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

EASTER 1894, TO EASTER 1895.

Arlington—St. James's Church.	
Box to Rev. D. J. Robertson, So. Dakota,	$ 5 45
Box to James Russell, Virginia,	11 20
Sent Diocesan Treasurer for Barre,	5 00
Home Missionary work,	9 50
Recess Chancel fund,	100 00
Total,	$131 15
Barre—Mission of the Good Shepherd.	
Box to Miss H. M. Smith, Hisperia, Mich.,	$ 15 00
Objects in Parish,	342 57
Total,	$357 57
Bellows Falls—Immanuel Church.	
Box to Rev. R. H. Cobbs, Greensboro, Ala.,	$100 00
Apron for Easter Sale,	60
Sent Diocesan treasurer,	30 18

Clothing for poor in Parish,	$ 4 50
Parish Choir fund,	300 00
Junior Auxiliary.	
Communion linen for Barre,	10 00
Total,	$445 28
Bennington—St. Peter's Parish.	
Two boxes, Rev. H. M. Denley, White Earth, Minn.,	$103 02
Sent Diocesan Treasurer $10, for Barre $15,	25 00
Missionary Chairman in Parish, cash,	100 31
Repairs on Rectory,	143 08
Poor in Parish,	30 00
Total,	$401 41
Bethel—Christ Church.	
Sent Diocesan Treasurer ($9 for Barre),	$ 23 40
Total,	$ 23 40
Brandon—St. Thomas's Church.	
Two puffs,	$ 12 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	15 00
Objects in Parish,	94 45
Total,	$121 45
Brattleboro—St. Michael's Parish.	
Two boxes for Mrs. Buford's hospital,	$ 38 10
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	15 00
Objects in Parish,	200 00
Total,	$253 10

Burlington—St. Paul's Church.	
One box, Rev. J. W. Perry, Tarboro, N. C.,	$105 81
One box, Rev. Lewis M. Wilkins, Richmond, Ky.,	153 04
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	136 16
Total,	$395 01
Chester—St. Luke's Parish.	
Three boxes to Bishop Graves for Nebraska,	$104 45
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	17 2
Objects in Parish,	265 67
Total,	$371 84
East Berkshire—Calvary Church.	
For District box,	$ 12 50
For Barre,	5 00
St. Albans hospital,	6 25
Objects in Parish,	52 75
Total,	$76 50
East Georgia—Immanuel Mission.	
Repairs on Church,	$33 00
Other Parish work,	1 00
Total,	$34 00
Enosburgh—Christ Church.	
Box for St. John Baptist School,	$ 8 75
Poor in Parish,	15 00
Insurance,	4 50
Total,	$28 25
Enosburgh Falls—St. Matthew's Parish.	
Box, St. Helena's Home, New York,	$47 00
For Barre,	10 00
In Parish, for electric lights,	11 75
Total,	$68 75

Fair Haven—St. Luke's Mission.	
Paid toward Diocesan assessment of Parish,	$10 50
Total,	$10 50
Hydeville—St. James's Church.	
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	$10 00
For repairs and expenses of Church,	37 75
Total,	$47 75
Jericho—Calvary Mission.	
For Barre,	$ 4 00
Objects in Parish,	44 14
Total,	$48 14
Manchester Centre—Zion Church.	
Box of Christmas gifts, Indian School, So. Dakota,	$ 21 69
Box Clothing, Nebraska,	84 01
In district box for Indian Catechist, So. Dakota,	5 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer, General fund,	5 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer for Barre,	3 00
Objects in Parish,	31 54
Total,	$150 24
Manchester Centre—Young Ladies' Guild.	
Sent Diocesan Treasurer for General fund,	$3 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer for Barre,	2 00
Total,	$5 00
Middlebury—St. Stephen's Church.	
Barrel to Nebraska,	$30 00
Barrel to Archdeacon Roberts, Tennessee,	30 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	50 10
Objects in Parish,	41 00
Total,	$151 10

Milton—Trinity Mission.

Box sent Children's Home, Burlington,	$ 3 72
Objects in Parish,	128 59
Total,	$132 31

Montgomery—Union Church.

Box, Warner Home, St. Albans,	$ 2 00
Box, Hospital, St. Albans,	6 00
Objects in Parish,	72 00
Total,	$80 00

Montpelier—Christ Church.

Box sent Archdeacon Roberts, Tennessee,	$60 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	20 00
Objects in Parish,	10 00
Clothing sent to sufferers in Nebraska, not estimated,	
Total,	$90 00

Northfield—St. Mary's Church.

Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	$7 52
Total,	$7 52

Poultney—St. John's Church.

Objects in Parish,	$1 50
Total,	$1 50

Proctorsville—Gethsemane Mission.

Missionary work,	$139 72
Objects in Parish,	80 00
Total,	$219 72

Randolph Centre—Grace Church.

Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	$ 5 00
" " " for Barre,	7 00
Objects in Parish,	24 80
Total,	$ 36 80

West Randolph—St. John's Parish.

Box, Rev J. R. Brooks, Port Tobacco, Maryland,	$ 25 45
" " " " from Junior Auxilary,	8 50
Sent for Barre,	10 00
Objects in Parish,	133 36
Total,	$177 31

Richford—St. Ann's Mission.

Objects in Parish,	$39 35
Total,	$39 35

Royalton—St. Paul's Church.

Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	$ 8 90
" " " for Barre,	10 00
Objects in Parish,	20 12
Total,	$39 02

Rutland—Trinity Mission.

Box, Field Matron, Santee Agency, Nebraska,	$ 58 51
For Barre,	50 00
Objects in Parish, Church debt,	232 50
" " " Church Step Fund,	20 00
Parish House Fund in memory of Mrs. Chaffee,	1,000 00
Gift in Diocese,	50 00
Total,	$1,411 01

Rutland—Aids to Trinity Mission.
Clothing for poor in Parish, not estimated.

Rutland—Circle of King's Daughters.

Box, Pine Ridge Agency, South Dakota,	$10 00
Total,	$10 00

St. Albans—St. Luke's Church.

Two barrels of clothing, Bishop Graves, Nebraska,	$122 37
Freight on Missionary box,	1 50
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	10 00
For Barre,	20 00
Repairs on Rectory,	367 30
Convention Reception,	13 45
Total,	$534 62

St. Albans—District Box.

Rev. H. F. Parshall, St. Cloud, Minn.,	$55 00
Total,	$55 00

St. Albans—Junior Auxiliary, Helping Hands.

Box for Rev. H. F. Parshall, St. Cloud, Minn.,	$35 00
For Barre Fund,	5 00
Total,	$40 00

St. Johnsbury—St. Andrew's Parish.

Box for Indian Catechist, Lower Brule Agency, South Dakota,	$110 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	17 00
" " " for Barre,	15 00
Objects in Parish,	25 00
From individuals in Parish, new books for Chancel,	21 00
" " " " new Altar hangings,	25 00
Total,	$213 00

Shelburne—Trinity Church.	
Box sent "Brothers of Nazareth," Verbank, N. Y.,	$50 00
Sent Diocesian Treasurer,	25 00
" " " for Barre,	40 00
Clothing for poor in Parish,	12 25
Total,	$127 25
Sheldon—Grace Church.	
Box for St. Cloud, Minn., $9 cash $5.50,	$14 50
Objects in Parish,	8 50
Total,	$23 00
Swanton—Holy Trinity Church.	
Bishop Hall for Barre,	$15 00
Objects in Parish,	50 51
Work for poor in Parish,	12 00
Total,	$77 51
Vergennes—St. Paul's Parish.	
Box, Gothenburg, Nebraska,	$75 90
In Rutland District box,	5 00
Box, Rev. J. J. N. Thompson, Tyler, Texas,	5 00
Box, Archdeacon Roberts, Nashville, Tenn.,	30 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	14 31
Objects in Parish,	1 60
Total,	$131 81
West Rutland—Grace Church.	
Box, Sheltering Arms Hospital, West Va.,	$ 8 00
Fund for Barre,	10 00
Objects in Parish, painting church, etc.,	54 84
Total,	$72 84

Windsor—St. Paul's Church.	
Box for Nebraska,	$ 15 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	10 00
Clothing for poor in Parish,	15 00
Total,	$ 40 00
Winooski—Trinity Mission.	
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	$ 15 00
Total,	$ 15 00
Woodstock—St. James's Parish.	
Box sent White Earth Reservation, Minn.,	$109 88
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	15 00
" " " for Barre,	10 00
Objects in Parish,	23 16
Total,	$158 04
District box sent from Arlington, Rutland, Manchester Centre and Vergennes, to D. J. Robertson, South Dakota,	$45 00

SUMMARY.

Valuation of Boxes,	$1,883 67
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	438 29
Offering for Barre,	255 00
Objects in Parish,	4,264 84
Specials,	56 25
	$6,898 05

Respectfully submitted,

ELLEN C. ALLEN,

Corresponding Secretary.

RECAPITULATION OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY, FROM EASTER 1894, TO EASTER 1895.

	Value of Boxes.	Sent Diocesan Treasurer.	Work in Parishes.	Offering for Barre.	Special Offerings.	Totals.
Arlington:						
St. James's Church	$ 16 65	$	$109 50	$ 5	.....	$ 181 15
Barre:						
Mission Good Sheph'd	15	.....	842 57	.....	.....	857 57
Bellows Falls:						
Immanuel Church	100 60	30 18	304 50	.....	.....	445 28
Junior Auxiliary	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	.....
Bennington:						
St. Peter's Parish	103 02	10	273 39	15	.....	401 41
Bethel:						
Christ Church	.....	14 40	.....	9	.....	28 40
Brandon:						
St. Thomas's Church	12	15	94 45	.....	.....	121 45
Brattleboro:						
St. Michael's Parish	38 10	15	200	.....	.....	253 10
Burlington:						
St. Paul's Church	258 85	136 16	.....	.....	.....	395 01
Chester:						
St. Luke's Parish	104 45	1 72	265 67	.....	.....	371 84
East Berkshire:						
Calvary Church	12 50	.....	52 75	5	6 25	76 50
East Georgia:						
Emmanuel Mission	.....	.....	84	.....	.....	84
Enosburgh:						
Christ Church	8 75	.....	19 50	.....	.....	28 25
Enosburgh Falls:						
St. Matthew's Parish	47	.....	11 75	10	.....	68 75
Fair Haven:						
St. Luke's Mission	.....	.....	10 50	.....	.....	10 50
Hydeville:						
St. James's Church	.....	10	37 75	.....	.....	47 75
Jericho:						
Calvary Mission	.....	.....	44 14	4	.....	48 14
Manchester Centre:						
Zion Church	110 70	5	31 54	3	.....	150 24
Yg. Ladies' Guild	.....	3	.....	2	.....	5
Middlebury:						
St. Stephen's Church	60	50 10	41	.....	.....	151 10
Milton:						
Trinity Mission	8 72	.....	128 59	.....	.....	132 31
Montgomery:						
Union Church	8	.....	72	.....	.....	80
Montpelier:						
Christ Church	60	20	10	.....	.....	90

Recapitulation of the Corresponding Secretary, From Easter 1894, to Easter 1895.

	Value of Boxes.	Sent Diocesan Treasurer.	Work in Parishes.	Offerings for Barre.	Special Offerings.	Totals.
Northfield:						
St. Mary's Church	$.....	$ 7 52	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 7 52
Poultney:						
St. John's Church	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	1 50
Proctorsville:						
Gethsemane Mission	139 72	.....	80	.....	.....	219 72
Randolph Centre:						
Grace Church	.....	5	24 80	7	.....	36 80
West Randolph:						
St. John's Parish	33 95	.....	133 36	10	.....	177 31
Richford:						
St. Ann's Mission	.....	.....	39 35	.....	.....	39 35
Royalton:						
St. Paul's Church	.....	8 90	20 12	10	.....	39 02
Rutland:						
Trinity Mission	58 51	.....	1252 50	50	50	1411 01
Aids to Mission	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cir. King's Daught's	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	10
St. Albans:						
St. Luke's Church	123 87	10	380 75	20	.....	534 62
District Box	55	.....	.....	.....	.....	55
Jun. Aux. Help. H'nd	35	.....	.....	5	.....	40
St. Johnsbury:						
St. Andrew's Parish	110	17	71	15	.....	213
Shelburne:						
Trinity Church	50	25	12 25	40	.....	127 25
Sheldon:						
Grace Church	14 50	.....	8 50	.....	.....	23
Swanton:						
Holy Trinity Church	.....	.....	62 51	15	.....	77 51
Vergennes:						
St. Paul's Parish	115 90	14 31	1 60	.....	.....	131 81
West Rutland:						
Grace Church	8	.....	54 84	10	.....	72 84
Windsor:						
St. Paul's Church	15	10	15	.....	.....	40
Winooski:						
Trinity Mission	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	15
Woodstock:						
St. James's Parish	109 88	15	23 16	10	.....	158 04
District Box, Arlington, etc	45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals	$1883 67	$438 29	$4264 84	$255	$56 25	$6898 05

REPORT OF THE General Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary

OF THE VERMONT BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

FROM EASTER 1894, to EASTER 1895.

Arlington—St. James's Parish.

Junior Auxiliary Society, seventeen members. Ten sewing meetings durthe season.

Two boxes sent to Colored Missions, $13 75

$13 75

Barre—Mission of the Good Shepherd.

Sewing school, seventeen members. Twenty-two meetings held during the season—for instruction only.

Bennington—St. Peter's Parish.

St. Mary's Guild, twenty members. Three meetings during the season. This Society takes the place of the former St. Agnes's Guild by which the following contribution was made before it was re-organized:

Support of baby in St. Mary's Orphanage, Shanghai, China (2d year), $30 00

$30 00

Brandon—St. Thomas's Parish.

St. Thomas's Guild, sixteen members. Six meetings held for sewing.		
One box for Barre, of children's clothing,	$30 00	
Cash for Barre,	10 00	
		$40 00

Brattleboro—St. Michael's Parish.

St. Agnes Guild, fourteen members. Meetings once every two weeks during fall and winter; every week during Lent.		
Two boxes sent to Kearney (The Platte), Neb.,	$50 00	
One box sent to Rev. J. W. Chapman, Alaska,	10 00	
To Rev. A. D. Brown, for Hymnals for Barre,	3 50	
Cash to Bishop Graves (The Platte), Nebraska,	10 00	
Cash to Bishop Barker, West Colorado,	5 00	
		$78 50

Burlington—St. Paul's Parish.

Julia C. Emery Society, fifteen members. Five sewing meetings were held before Xmas, when this society was disbanded.		
One box of Xmas gifts and second-hand clothing sent to Logan, Utah,	$47 79	
One box Xmas gifts and second-hand clothing sent to Rev. J. W. Herritage for Colored S. S., South Carolina,	16 37	
		$64 16

Enosburgh Falls—St. Matthew's Parish.		
Guild of the Good Shepherd, twenty-three members. Six sewing meetings.		
Cash sent to St. Helen's Mission, New York,	$ 5 50	
		$ 5 50
Island Pond—Christ Church.		
Junior Auxiliary, thirty-four members. Thirteen meetings for sewing were held.		
One box was sent to Rev. W. J. Herritage for Colored S.S. Edenton,S.C.,	$25 00	
		$25 00
Milton—Trinity Mission.		
Junior Auxiliary.		
One box added to Julia C. Emery Xmas box for Logan. Utah,	$ 5 00	
		$ 5 00
Montpelier—Christ Church.		
St. Margaret's Guild, eight members.		
Cash for Barre,	$ 5 00	
Xmas gifts added to the Julia C. Emery Xmas box for Rev. W. J. Herritage, Colored S. S.,	4 50	
Six bound volumes "Youth's Companion" distributed,	6 00	
		$15 50

Randolph Center—Grace Church.

Junior Auxiliary Society, six members.		
One box clothing for Missionary, Peru, Indiana,	$10 00	
		$10 00

Richford—St. Ann's Mission.

St. Agnes's Guild, Seven members. Fifteen meetings. No mission work reported.

St. Albans—St. Luke's Parish.

Helping Hand's.		
Cash for Barre,	$ 5 00	
One box clothing to Rev. Heman F. Parshall, St. Cloud, Minn.,	35 00	
Cash for combination box, express,	50	
		$40 50

St. Johnsbury—St. Andrew's Parish.

St. Agnes's Guild. No report.

West Randolph—St. John's Parish.

Junior Auxiliary, six members.		
One box to Maryland,	$7 00	
		$7 00

White River Junction—St. Paul's Mission.

Six sewing meetings. No work reported.

Woodstock—St. James's Parish.

Junior Auxiliary, seven members.		
Cash, unappropriated as yet,	$4 00	
		$4 00

Rock Point—Bishop Hopkins Hall.
Junior Auxiliary, fifteen members.

Cash (in part from Chapel offerings) to be devoted to the purchase of material for hangings, for the new Church at Barre, to be worked by the scholars.	$42 26	$42 26
Total,		$381 17

RECAPITULATION

Of the Society Work done by about two hundred members of the Vermont Junior Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, from Easter 1894, to Easter 1895.

Eight boxes for Domestic Missions,	$170 79	
Five boxes for Colored Missions,	59 62	
One box for Diocesan Missions,	30 00	
		$260 41
Cash for Foreign Missions,	$30 00	
Cash for Domestic Missions,	21 00	
Cash for Diocesan Missions,	65 76	
Unappropriated,	4 00	
		$120 76
Total,		$381 17

Report of Sunday School Offerings.	General Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Indian.	Colored work.	Diocesan.	Barre.	Divinity Scholarship.	Specials.	From Easter 1894 to Easter 1895.
Arlington	$	$19.33								$ 19.33
Bennington		10.00	10.00	3.00	3.00					26.00
Brandon		3.73	3.72				8.50			15.95
Cambridge Centre	.50									.50
Cambridge Boro	.50									.50
Chester	11.94					7.50				19.44
Enosburgh Falls		6.75	6.75				10.00			23.50
Jericho	1.61									1.61
Manchester Centre	23.86									23.86
Milton	7.23	.50								7.73
Proctorsville	4.75									4.75
Rutland		25.00	25.00					50.00	10.00	110.00
St. Albans	40.00									40.00
Woodstock		12.00								12.00
Barre		4.17	4.16				9.50			17.83
Fairfax	2.12	.22								2.34
Georgia	.92	.50								1.42
Richford						4.47				4.47
Underhill	.50									.50
White River Junc			4.88						.61	5.49
Total	$93.93	$82.20	$54.51	$3.00	$3.00	$11.97	$28.00	$50.00	$10.61	$337.22

RECAPITULATION.

SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFERINGS FROM EASTER 1894 TO EASTER 1895.

For General Missions, (cash)	$93 93	
" Domestic " "	82 20	
" Foreign " "	54 51	
" Indian " "	8 00	
" Colored " "	8 00	
" Diocesan " "	11 97	
" Barre " "	28 00	
" Special " "	10 61	
For Divinity Scholarship, (cash)	50 00	
From the Vermont Episcopal Institute for boys, Chapel Offerings for Diocesan Missions	50 00	$337 22
Add to this as reported above.		
Value of Society Junior Auxiliary work, (cash)	120 76	
Value of boxes sent out	260 41	381 17
Total		$718 39

When the circulars were sent before Easter to the various Clergy of the Diocese, it was expected that we would of course follow the Constitution of the Woman's Auxiliary, of which the Junior Branch is the younger part governed by the same laws. Therefore according to Articles 2 and 3, we had the right to ask for reports of work done for our own Parishes and Sunday Schools, and to print the same side by side with what was done for Missions. But Bishop Hall thinks it is not consistent to report what is done and given for ourselves on the same footing as that given for Missions, therefore these are stated by themselves. However,

$343.56 *cash*, the proceeds of the Junior Auxiliary Society work for their own Parishes, is no mean record, while on the part of the Sunday Schools $554.88 have been raised by the regular Sunday penny offerings, for their own support, and for various Parish needs. We report work of over two hundred Junior members, and six hundred and seventy-seven Sunday School pupils, less, far less than one-half of what might have been added, if all had been sent to the Junior Secretary, that has been done in Vermont this year. The chief object in collecting these items is for encouragement. By them we can better appreciate the ability of the children of the Church in Vermont, showing what they *have done* with no concerted action. Should our Bishop and Rectors agree in the near future, that it would be a benefit to our young people, to unite in building a Mission Chapel within our own borders, thereby teaching them the benefit of organization and combination, and the great pleasure and *privilege* of taking *their* part in the active building up of the Church militant, who can say how far that sacred influence would extend? Older people are always greatly interested in what their children are working for, as Dr. Twing, of blessed memory, frequently used to say, "give me the young people to influence, and I care not what becomes of the old people," for he knew they would soon follow where their children led. While thanking most cordially the Clergy who have kindly responded to the request of the Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary, it is hoped that the above will fully explain why their reports do not appear as they were sent, in full to each Parish, individually. Let us hope and pray that the near future will more and more develop our united work to the great satisfaction of us all, of our Bishop and Head who would draw us more from ourselves in behalf of others less favored, of our Rectors on whom the

responsibility rests of guiding and aiding, or repressing the work of the Junior Auxiliary, and of your Secretary who is powerless to work at all without their active co-operation, full approval, and official leadership.

CAROLINE A. H. CANFIELD,

General Secretary of the

Vermont Branch of the

Junior Auxiliary.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

VERMONT BRANCH

OF THE

Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions

As revised and amended at the annual meeting held at St. Paul's Church, Burlington, October 15-16-17, 1894.

ARTICLE 1.

This Association shall be known as the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

ARTICLE 2.

The object of this Branch shall be to diffuse missonary intelligence; to increase activity (among women, children and youth of the church); to unite previously existing societies in one common interest, recognizing all the church work done by the women of Vermont, whether for parish, diocese or general missions; and to aid all missionaries to the best of our ability by our prayers and our sympathy, as well as by our offerings of money and boxes of clothing.

ARTICLE 3.

Any society or association of women working for either of the purposes thus indicated may be in union with this branch (and may be represented in its meetings by such a number of delegates, not exceeding five, as it may elect). Each Parish Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary shall be limited to five delegates, and each Junior Branch of the Parish to two delegates.

ARTICLE 4.

The officers of this Branch shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, and a General Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary; also two managers for each missionary district, who shall be elected annually.

ARTICLE 5.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Branch, unless the Bishop of the Diocese be present and chooses to preside *ex-officio*.

ARTICLE 6.

The Vice-Presidents shall preside in the absence of the President in the order of their election.

ARTICLE 7.

The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds of the Branch, and shall pay out the same according to the directions of the Association.

ARTICLE 8.

The Recording Secretary shall give notice of all general meetings of the Branch, and make all necessary arrangements with the railroads; shall keep a roll of the delegates in attendance and a record of such meetings, which shall be printed in the Convention Journal the following June.

ARTICLE 9.

The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Branch, with the affiliated associations, the Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary, and others.

ARTICLE 10.

This Branch does not propose to interfere with the work which the associations are doing for the church in their several localities; yet it would recommend that each such association should elect some time in the year to work especially for the cause of our general missions, in connection with the Woman's Auxiliary.

ARTICLE 11.

It is recommended that members of the Auxiliary shall be appointed in every parish and mission to obtain pledges for systematic offerings for our Diocesan Auxiliary Fund, and, if necessary, the collection of the same.

ARTICLE 12.

The Constitution shall only be altered or amended by a vote of delegates representing two-thirds of the members present.

ARTICLE 13.

By-Laws in accordance with the Constitution may be adopted or altered at any meeting.

ARTICLE 14.

The annual meeting of the Branch shall be held on such day of September, October or November as the President may appoint. The semi-annual meeting of such Diocesan officers and delegates to the previous annual meeting as may be able to attend shall be holden on the day and at the place where the Diocesan convention is held.

BY-LAWS.

BY-LAW 1. Any Society or Association of Women working for either of the objects indicated in the Constitution, may be received into union with the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, at any annual meeting of the same, by vote of a majority of the members present, upon presenting a certificate from the Rector of the Parish or of the Missionary in charge, or in the absence of either, of the Senior Warden, setting forth that such Society or Association is duly organized in Church work.

BY-LAW 2. The Convention of the Vermont Branch shall be composed of delegates from the several Societies in union with the Branch, who are hereby authorized to act and vote upon all questions, *having previously to the meeting sent their names duly certified*, as delegates to the Recording Secretary, to be incorporated in the roll.

BY-LAW 3. In case there should not be, for any reason, an election of officers, as provided for in the Constitution, those previously elected shall hold their offices until others are chosen.

BY-LAW 4. All officers of the Diocesan Auxiliary shall be entitled to all the privileges of the floor, and to speak, and to vote, upon all questions which shall come before the Convention.

BY-LAW 5. The funds sent to the Treasurer of the Vermont Branch of the Auxiliary are to be paid out according to appropriations made at the annual meeting, or according to the direction of the giver. Should there be occasion, the President and a majority of the Diocesan officers may make extra disbursements.

BY-LAW 6. It shall be the duty of the District Managers to arrange for public meetings in their Districts, and report the same to the Recording Secretary.

BY-LAW 7: No representative from the Junior Branches, under 18 years of age, shall be allowed to vote at the general meetings.

BY-LAW 8. The President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer and Secretaries of this Society shall be elected by ballot, after open nomination.

ABSTRACT OF AMENDMENTS TO THE CANONS,

Made and now in force since they were published or revised in 1885.

The following amendments to Sec. 3, Canon I., Title I., adopted at Montpelier, June 7, 1888 :

"When a Bishop is to be elected, the Convention shall always vote by Orders, and a majority of each Order, when both concur, shall constitute an election. The Secretary shall first call the roll of the Clergy, who shall, as their names are called, deposit their ballots with the Tellers, and when counted the result shall be announced to the Convention. The Secretary shall then call the roll of Lay Delegates, who shall as their names are called deposit their ballots with the Tellers, which shall be counted and announced as ordered for the Clergy. In case of non-concurrence the first time, balloting shall continue in the same way and order as above until an election is made."

Amendment to Canon XI., Title II., Sec. 2, adopted at Rutland, June 20, 1889 :

"When any Parish that has been legally constituted under the Canons of this Diocese shall fail, for any cause, to possess the requisite number of Communicants to entitle it to the rights of such organization, the Bishop may, with the consent of the Standing Committee, declare such organization void, and place said Parish upon the list of Mission Stations."

Amendments to Canons adopted at St. Albans, June 7, 1894.

Amendment to Sec. 2, Canon I., Title I. Strike out the first six lines of the section and substitute the following :

"Every Clergyman canonically resident in the Diocese, shall be a member of the Convention, but shall not vote at the election of a Bishop unless he had been so resident at least one year."

Amendment to Canon IV., Title II. (page 19, edition of 1893). Strike out the three lines and substitute the following :

"A Clergyman becomes resident in this Diocese for the purposes of these Canons, on Ordination by the Bishop thereof, or on acceptance of his Letters Dimissory, and such residence terminates only on notice received that Letters Dimissory from this Diocese have been elsewhere accepted."

(Compare Gen'l. Convt. Digest 1892, Title I., Canon XVIII, Sec. 7, [2].)

Amendment to Canon VII., Title I., so as to read as follows :

"The Holy Communion shall be celebrated at the opening of every Convention, at which time the Bishop's address or charge shall be delivered, unless the Bishop shall otherwise appoint.

Amendments adopted at Montpelier, June 20, 1895.

Amendment to Canon IX.

CANON IX.

Of Parish registers, reports, and assessments.

§ 1. [§ 1, is to stand as it is now.] § 2, Reports.

"At least two weeks before each Annual Convention of the Diocese, the Rector or Minister and Church Wardens of every Parish or Mission shall report to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Standing Committee concerning the state of the Parish on the first day of May next before the Convention, stating whatever in their judgment may throw light on the state of the Church, and, in particular giving the details required by the Canons of the General Convention [Digest of 1892, Title 1, Canon 20] and such other matters as may at the discretion of the Bishop be specified in a blank form of report to be submitted to them on or before April 1st, by the Secretary of the Convention."

"These reports, or such parts or abstracts of them as the Bishop directs, may be read in convention or printed as an appendix to the Journal.

§ 3. "The reports specified in § 2 shall be taken as the basis of all assessments or apportionment of offerings expected from the several congregations, whether made by the Convention or any board or committee of the Diocese, and all assessments thus made, which shall remain unpaid shall be counted in the next report as a part of the indebtedness of the congregation, and it shall be the duty of the reporting officers to give the reason for the non-payment thereof."

Amendment to Canon 2, Title I.

Strike out the last three lines [lines 7, 8, 9, p. 12, ed. of 1885, or Journal of 1893, p. 250] and insert the following:

"The Treasurer's annual reports shall be made for the twelve months ending on the first day of May next before the Convention."

Amendment to Canon 10, Title I.

In the last line but one [line 10, p. 15, ed. of 1885, or Journal of 1893, p. 253] strike out the three words "last Easter Monday" and insert the words "first day of May next" so that the sentence shall read, "These reports shall be for the year preceding the first day of May next before the Convention."

Amendment to Sec. 8, Canon 1, Title III.

In line three strike out the words "last Easter Monday" and insert the words the "first day of May."

BOARD OF LAND AGENTS.

The Board of Land Agents has adopted the following rules for its government in making appropriations:—

1. That the year for which appropriations are made shall commence at Easter.

2. That the appropriations made to any parish for one year shall be considered as applying to such part of the year only, in its just proportion, as the said parish shall have a Rector or Minister.

3. That the appropriations shall be paid semi-annually, one-half in six months from Easter, and the balance in twelve months.

4. That it is not expedient, in the opinion of the board to make any further appropriations for the building of Churches and Parsonages.

The Board holds its annual meeting in June, at the time of the Annual Convention.

TITLE III. CANON 3.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

In every parish of this Diocese a quarterly collection for Diocesan Missions shall be made regularly in the months of February, May, August and November, and the amount contributed shall be promptly forwarded to the Treasurer of the Missionary Committee. And it shall be the duty of every Parish Minister to give due notice of these collections, and to call the attention of his congregation to their importance and claims.

RESOLUTIONS OF CONVENTION.

Resolved, That when there is a vacancy in the Rectorship, the Wardens be requested to see that the quarterly collections are duly made for Diocesan Missions, and forwarded to the Treasurer.

Resolved, That the Parishes be requested to raise annually for Diocesan Missions a sum not less than one dollar for each communicant.

FORM OF CERTIFICATE FOR LAY DELEGATES.

Parish of ——— Church of———

A. D.

I hereby certify that ——— Church has ——— male communicants. And I further certify that at a meeting of the Vestry of the Parish of ——— Church, held this day, as the Canon directs, A. B. and C. D., communicants in the said Parish, were duly chosen to represent the said Parish in the ensuing Convention of the Diocese.

E. F.,

Secretary of the Vestry of

——— Church ———

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention of the Diocese will be held at St. Stephen's Church, Middlebury, on the third Wednesday in June, 1836, unless some other date be designated by the Bishop and Standing Committee, commencing at 9 o'clock A. M.

THOMAS H. CANFIELD, Secretary.

TITLE I. CANON 5.

OF REGULAR ATTENDANCE AT CONVENTION.

SEC. 1. Every Parish in this Diocese which shall not hereafter be represented in the Annual Diocesan Convention by a Lay Delegation, unless for reasons satisfactory to the Bishop, shall be considered as not entitled to any appropriation from the Board of Land Agents or from any Missionary Board of the Diocese; and Parishes neglecting to send Delegates for two successive Conventions may be, on motion, stricken from the list of Parishes, until they make suitable acknowledgment.

SEC. 2. No member of the Convention shall leave the same during the sessions without having applied for and received leave of absence from the Convention.

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The Bishop, with his resident Chaplain, is responsible for the Chapel services and for the religious instruction and spiritual care of the school.

MISS EDITH M. CLARK, PRINCIPAL,
English Literature, History, English Language.

MISS LEVENIA D. SMITH, B. A., *Wellesley*,
Science, Mathematics, Greek.

French, German, Latin.

MISS HENRIETTE M. VON ULLRICH, *Leipsic Conservatorium*,
Instrumental and Vocal Music.

MISS ELLEN IDE FLANDERS,
Latin and Preparatory Classes.

MISS KINGSLAND,
Dancing.

MR. BERT WATERMAN,
Violin.

MRS. E. J. BLAISDELL,
Superintendent of Household.

MR. HENRY H. ROSS,
Business Manager.

LIST OF THE CLERGY

OF THE

DIOCESE OF VERMONT,

WITH THE PARISHES UNDER THEIR CHARGE.

1896.

NOTE—The date after name is that of present canonical residence.

BISHOP.

The Rt. Rev. ARTHUR CRAWSHAY ALLISTON HALL, D. D.

Consecrated February 2, 1894.

PRIESTS.

The Rev. *Stephen Howard Alling* [May 4, 1896], Assistant Minister of St. Andrew's, St. Johnsbury, and of the Missions at Lyndonville and North Concord.

" *Frank Appleton* [June 7, 1893], Rector of St. Andrew's, St. Johnsbury.

" *Benjamin W. Atwell* [October 22, 1888], Rector of Trinity Church, Shelburne.

" *Alfred Arthur Vincent Binnington* [July 20, 1895], in charge of Christ Church, Island Pond.

" *Joshua Isham Bliss, D. D.* [September 15, 1858], Rector of St. Paul's, Burlington.

" *George Yemens Bliss* [June 12, 1892], Assistant Minister of St. Paul's, Burlington.

" *Forest Haden Blunt* [February 5, 1893], Rector of Calvary Church, East Berkshire, and of Union Church, Montgomery.

The Rev. *David Archibald Bonnar* [Nov. 30, 1895], Rector of St. Stephen's, Middlebury, and Missionary at St. Barnabas', East Middlebury.

" *Allan Danvers Brown* [November 30, 1892], Missionary at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Barre.

" *Algernon T. Brown* [May 25, 1894], Missionary at St. Paul's, White River Junction, and at St. Peter's, Olcott.

" *Alexander Augustus Cairns* [June 19, 1894], Missionary at St. Mark's, Newport, and at St. Augustine's, North Troy.

" *James Curtiss Carnahan* [November 3, 1893], Rector of St. James's, Arlington.

" *William Henry Collins* [October 3, 1869], Rector of St. Michael's, Brattleboro, and in charge of Christ Church, Guilford.

" *James Oswald Davis* [November 30, 1894], Rector of St. Luke's, Chester, and Missionary at Gethsemane Church, Proctorsville.

" *Alonzo B. Flanders, D. D.* [February 4, 1868], Rector of St. Luke's, St. Albans.

" *Theodore Bogert Foster* [April 20, 1896], Rector of Trinity Church, Rutland, and in charge of Grace Church, West Rutland.

" *Frederick M. Garland* [March 1, 1895], Rector of Holy Trinity Church, Swanton.

" *Edward N. Goddard* [June 4, 1879], Rector of St. Paul's, Windsor.

" *Hubert P. le F. Grabau* [October 26, 1895], Rector of St. Paul's, Vergennes.

" *Gemont Graves* [March 16, 1872], Missionary at Milton, Georgia, Jericho, Fairfax, Cambridge. (Post office address, Burlington.)

" *William James Harris, D. D.* [December 28, 1894], Diocesan Missionary. (P. O. address Rutland.)

" *George Barent Johnson* [June 1, 1894], Bishop's Chaplain, Burlington.

" *Alonzo N. Lewis* [April 28, 1892], Rector of Christ Church, Montpelier.

The Rev. *Charles Smith Lewis* [September 26, 1895], Rector of Zion Church, Manchester Centre, and Missionary at St John's, Manchester.

" *Clarence Watts McCully* [May 27, 1895]. Missionary at Trinity Church, Winooski.

" *Edward H. Randall* [November 30, 1869], Rector of St. John's, Poultney, and of St. Paul's, Wells.

" *George Lynde Richardson* [March 24, 1894], Rector of St. Peter's, Bennington.

" *David L. Sanford* [November 18, 1889], Rector of Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls.

" *James Simonds* [December 10,1895], Missionary at St. Ann's, Richford.

" *Francis Wyman Smith* [November 20, 1877], Rector of St. James's, Woodstock.

" *Edward Sawyer Stone* [June 23, 1889], Rector of Christ Church, Enosburgh, and of St. Matthew's, Enosburgh Falls.

" *George Joseph Sutherland* [June 13, 1894], Rector of St. Mary's, Northfield.

" *William Parry Thomas* [December 28, 1895], Missionary at St. Luke's, Fair Haven, and in charge of St. James's, Hydeville.

" *Joseph B. Trevett, M. D.* [July 10, 1894], Rector of Christ Church, Bethel, and of St. Paul's, Royalton.

" *William Farrar Weeks* [October 2, 1888], Rector of St. Thomas's, Brandon, and Missionary at Grace Church, Forestdale.

" *Homer White, S. T. D.*[June 1, 1869], Rector of St. John's, Randolph, and of Grace Church, Randolph Centre.

" *George Aloysus Wilkins* [June 1, 1890], P. O. Address, White River Junction.

DEACONS.

The Rev. *Samuel Ebenezer Hanger* [May 19, 1894], assisting in the Missions at Jericho and Cambridge.

" *Arthur William Stone* [December 22, 1895], assisting at Trinity Church, Rutland, and at Grace Church, West Rutland.

CLERGYMEN RECEIVED BY LETTERS DIMISSORY.

The Rev. *Alfred Arthur Vincent Binnington*, July 20, 1895, from the Diocese of Nova Scotia.

" *Charles Smith Lewis*, September 26, 1895, from the Diocese of New York.

" *Hubert P. le F. Grabau*, October 26, 1895, from the Diocese of Ohio.

" *David Archibald Bonnar*, November 30, 1895, from the Diocese of Albany.

" *James Simonds*, December 10, 1895, from the Diocese of Milwaukee,

" *William Parry Thomas*, December 28, 1895, from the Diocese of St. Davids.

" *Theodore Bogart Foster*, April 20, 1896, from the Diocese of Rhode Island.

" *Stephen Howard Alling*, May 9, 1896, from the Diocese of Connecticut.

CLERGYMEN TRANSFERRED BY LETTERS DIMISSORY.

The Rev. *Simon Blinn Blunt*, September 16, 1895, to the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania.

" *Edmund Banks Smith*, October 16, 1895, to the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania.

" *James C. Flanders*, November 4, 1895, to the Diocese of New Hampshire.

" *Colwort K. P. Cogswell*, November 6, 1895, to the Diocese of Maryland.

" *John Anketell*, December 10, 1895, to the Diocese of New York.

" *Charles Martin Niles*, March 30, 1896, to the Diocese of New York.

DEACON ORDAINED.

The Rev. *Arthur William Stone*, December 22, 1895.

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

Admitted. Arthur G. Bugbee.

Withdrawn. William Cyprian Hopkins, Jr.,
Richard Edward Armstrong.

Removed. Henry Closson Gilbert.

PRESENT CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

Arthur G. Bugbee.
Walter Harriman Cambridge.
Henry Montesquieu Green.
Frederick Barnby Leach.
Richard H. Lane (for Deacon's Orders only).

LAY READERS HOLDING THE BISHOP'S LICENSE FROM ADVENT 1895 TO ADVENT 1896.

Edward Lowe Temple, Trinity Church, Rutland.
Edson P. Gilson, Grace Church, West Rutland.
Arthur G. Bugbee, St. Paul's, White River Junction.
Charles M. Webb, St. Luke's, Chester.
George S. Maynard, St. Faith's, Castleton.
Edmond L. Wyman, M. D., Zion Church, Manchester Centre.
Edward Brown, St. Paul's, Windsor.
Charles H. Reynolds, Holy Trinitv Church, Swanton.
Kittredge Haskins, St. Michael's, Brattleboro.
George Briggs, St. Thomas's, Brandon.
Joseph D. Denison, St. John's, Randolph.
Charles E. Parker, St. Paul's, Vergennes.
John H. Whipple, Zion Church, Manchester Centre.
Theophilus Grout, St. Mark's, Newport.
Joshua Hobart Webb, Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls.
J. Ross Roberts, Middletown Springs.
Dana Jewell Morrill, St. Augustine's, North Troy.
Myron W. Buck, St. Luke's, St. Albans.
Frank G. Howland, Church of the Good Shepherd, Barre.
Homer A. Flint, St. Mary's, Northfield.

CLERGYMEN DEPOSED.

Notification received by the Bishop of Vermont.

Daniel Rollins, priest, by the Bishop of Massachusetts.
Charles H. Baggs, priest, by the Bishop of Chicago.
Nelson Ayres, priest, by the Bishop of Mississippi.
Samuel Erastus Arthur, priest, by the Bishop of Missouri.
Melvin Hill Dana, priest, by the Bishop of Albany.
Alfred L. Moore, priest, by the Bishop of Ohio.
Robert Habersham Barnwell, priest, by the Bishop of Kentucky.
Edwin Stanley Wells, deacon, by the Bishop of Connecticut.
Frederick Francis Sherman, priest, by the Bishop of Rhode Island.
Samuel Richard Fuller, priest, by the Bishop of Massachusetts.
Thomas B. Barker, by the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.

DIOCESE OF VERMONT.

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

JOURNAL.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, MIDDLEBURY,
Wednesday, June 17, 1896.

This being the time and place appointed for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Vermont, several of the Clergy and Laity met at 8.30 a. m.

The Convention was called to order by the Bishop, President *ex-officio*, Thomas H. Canfield, of Burlington, Secretary.

The names of the Clergy of the Diocese entitled to seats and votes in the Convention, approved by the Bishop, were then called by the Secretary.

Those with * after their name, were not present at Convention.

The Rev. STEPHEN HOWARD ALLING,	The Rev. SAMUEL E. HANGER
" FRANK APPLETON,	" WM. J. HARRIS, D. D.
" BENJAMIN W. ATWELL,	" GEORGE B. JOHNSON,
" ALFRED A. V. BINNINGTON,	" ALONZO N. LEWIS,
" JOSHUA ISHAM BLISS, D. D.,	" CHARLES S. LEWIS,
" GEORGE Y. BLISS,	" CLARENCE W. MCCULLY,
" FOREST H. BLUNT,	" EDWARD H. RANDALL,
" DAVID A. BONNAR,	" GEORGE L. RICHARDSON,
" ALLAN D. BROWN,	" DAVID L. SANFORD,
" ALGERNON T. BROWN,	" JAMES SIMONDS,
" ALEXANDER A. CAIRNS,*	" FRANCIS W. SMITH,
" JAMES C. CARNAHAN,	" ARTHUR W. STONE,
" WILLIAM H. COLLINS,	" EDWARD S. STONE,
" JAMES O. DAVIS,	" GEORGE J. SUTHERLAND,
" ALONZO B. FLANDERS, D. D.	" WILLIAM PARRY THOMAS,
" FREDERICK M. GARLAND,	" JOHN B. TREVETT,
" EDWARD N. GODDARD,	" WILLIAM F. WEEKS,
" HUBERT P. le F. GRABAU,	" HOMER WHITE, S. T. D.
" GEMONT GRAVES,	" GEORGE A. WILKINS.*

The President appointed the Rev. Messrs. Weeks and A. D. Brown as a Committee to report upon the credentials of Lay Delegates.

The list of Parishes in union with the Convention, and of organized Missions, was then called by the Secretary, when the Lay Delegates from the same presented their credentials.

The Committee, after examining the credentials, reported that the following Parishes, entitled to representation in the Convention, had duly elected as their Lay Delegates the following named persons:

St. James' Church, Arlington	Jesse Burdette, Edward C. Woodworth,* J. Rollin Judson,* Arthur C. Stewart.
Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls	George H. Babbitt, John H. Williams, Joshua H. Webb,* John W. Flint.*
St. Peter's Church, Bennington	Luman P. Norton, Lyman F. Abbott, John H. Norton,* Henry O. Harwood.*
Calvary Church, Berkshire	Homer D. Loverin, Charles H. Stratton.*

Christ Church, Bethel	John J. Wilson, Myron G. Safford.*
St. Thomas' Church, Brandon	George Briggs, Ebenezer J. Ormsbee, John P. Reed.
St. Michael's Church, Brattleboro	Fred W. Childs, Arthur W. Childs,* John M. Hackley.*
St. Paul's Church, Burlington	LeGrand B. Cannon, Daniel W. Robinson, Heman W. Allen,* Henry L. Ward, John A. Arthur, Charles E. Allen.
St. Luke's Church, Chester	Oscar Miller, Austin N. Chandler.
Christ Church, Enosburgh	Caleb R. Brewer.
St. Matthew's Church, Enosburgh Falls	Augustus Cramton, Arthur J. Darrah,* Benjamin F. Fassett.*
Christ Church, Fairfax	Cyrus A. Hawley.*
St. John's Church, Highgate	Charles A. Skeels.*
St. James' Church, Hydeville	Russell W. Hyde, Charles Griswold.*
Christ Church, Island Pond	William H. Bishop. John Reeve.
Calvary Church, Jericho	Ira Hawley.*
Zion Church, Manchester Center	Edmond L. Wyman,* John H. Whipple, Charles B. Rowe.
St. Stephen's Church, Middlebury	Edward P. Russell, Noble S. Dewey, Brainerd H. Lane.
Union Church, Montgomery	Joel C. Goodspeed.
Christ Church, Montpelier	Charles Dewey, Fred E. Smith,* Joseph H. DeBoer, Louis P. Gleason.*
St. Mary's Church, Northfield	J. B. Johnson, Arthur G. Andrews.*
St. John's Church, Poultney	Arthur E. Horton,* Seth B. Woodworth, William B. Prindle.*
Grace Church, Randolph Centre	Henry C. Gilbert.
St. John's Church, Randolph	James W. Gabrielle,* Lewis P. Thayer.
St. Paul's Church, Royalton	Arthur G. Whitman.*
Trinity Church, Rutland	George R. Bottum, Edward L. Temple, John N. Woodfin, George T. Chaffee, Levi G. Kingsley,* Charles E. Ross.
Grace Church, West Rutland	Edwin McKelsey,* William W. Felt.

Grace Church, Sheldon	Charles H. Whittemore.
Trinity Church, Shelburne	LaFayette Lyon.* Orville A. Spear.
St. Luke's Church, St. Albans	Myron W. Bailey.* John W. Hobart.* John C. Stranahan, George Cassidy, John F. Locke. Frederick W. Baldwin.*
St. Andrew's Church, St. Johnsbury	Louis N. Smythe.* Clarence D. Waters.* George F. Cushman,* Clinton Weeks.
Holy Trinity Church, Swanton	Henry A. Burt,* Henry M. Stone.
St. Paul's Church, Vergennes	Charles E. Parker, Nicholas J. McCuen.* David H. Lewis,* Spencer W. Hindes.
St. Paul's Church, Windsor	Henry D. Stone, Edward Brown.
St. James' Church, Woodstock	James B. Jones, Charles F. Chapman.

The Committee on Credentials reported that the following persons had been elected Delegates to represent organized Missions:

Church of the Good Shepherd, Barre,	William D. Reid.*
St. Ann's, Richford,	Jasmin H. Hamilton.
St. Luke's, Fair Haven,	Thos. W. Coulman.
St. Mark's Newport,	Theophilus Grout.
St. Augustine's, North Troy,	Charles Ladd.*
St. Paul's, White River Junction,	Edwin Davis.*
St. Peter's, Olcott,	F. P. Campbell.*
Trinity Church, Winooski,	James D. Tanner.*

Those with * after their name were not present at Convention.

The roll of Lay Delegates from Parishes and from Missions was then called by the Secretary, when a quorum of Laity as well as of Clergy, according to the Canons, was found to be present. The President announced that the Convention was duly organized.

The Bishop then proceeded to the Administration of the Holy Communion, the Epistle being read by the Rev. Mr. Bonnar, Rector of the Parish, and the Gospel by the Rev. Dr. Bliss, President of the Standing Committee.

The Bishop in place of a sermon delivered his FIRST TRIENNIAL CHARGE. [Appendix R.]

Divine service being concluded, the Convention resumed business in the Town Hall.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Smith,

Resolved, That all Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not canonically entitled to seats in this Convention, all Clergymen of the Church of England, all Candidates for Holy Orders, the Treasurer of the Board of Land Agents, members of the Standing Committee, the Trustees of the Diocese and Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, here present, be and hereby are invited to seats in the Convention.

Mr. Edson P. Gilson, Treasurer of the Trustees of the Diocese; Mr. Fred C. Kennedy, Trustee of the Episcopal Fund, appeared and took seats in the Convention in accordance with the resolution.

The Convention proceeded to ballot for Seretary, the Rev. Mr. Garland and Mr. Cramton being appointed Tellers. Upon canvassing the votes, Mr. Thomas H. Canfield of Burlington, was found to have received a majority of all the votes cast, and was declared to be elected Secretary of the Convention.

The Secretary announced that he appointed Mr. Fred E. Smith of Montpelier Assistant Secretary.

The President then announced the following

STANDING COMMITTEES OF CONVENTION.

On Finance—Messrs. Woodfin, Fred W. Childs and Hindes.

On Education—Rev. Dr. White, Rev. James C. Carnahan, Rev. George L. Richardson, Messrs. Charles E. Parker and John H. Williams.

On Parochial Reports—Rev. George B. Johnson, and Rev. George Y. Bliss.

On Miscellaneous Business—Rev. Edward Stone, Messrs. Locke and Cassidy.

On Canons—Rev. Francis W. Smith, Rev. Dr. Bliss, Rev. E. N. Goddard, Messrs. Briggs and Thayer.

On Episcopal Fund—Messrs. Jones, Bottum and Cannon.

The Standing Committee, through their Secretary, the Rev. Dr. Flanders, submitted their report, which was read, accepted and ordered to be printed in the Appendix [C.]

The Convention then proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee, the Rev. C. W. McCully and Mr. Luman P. Norton being appointed Tellers. The following nominations were made: *Clerical*, the Rev. J. I. Bliss, A. B. Flanders, W. F. Weeks, H. White and G. Graves. *Lay*, Messrs. G. Briggs, C. A. Booth, H. Wells. The report of the Tellers, after canvassing the votes, was announced, and the following persons were found to have received a majority of the ballots, and were declared to be duly elected as the Standing Committee of the Diocese for the ensuing year:

The Rev. Joshua Isham Bliss, D. D.
The Rev. Alonzo B. Flanders, D. D.
The Rev. William F. Weeks.
Mr. Cyrus A. Booth.
Mr. Henry Wells.
Mr. George Briggs.

The Rev. G. B. Johnson, from the Special Committee appointed at last Convention on the representation of feeble Parishes and of Mission stations, presented the following report, which was accepted and referred with its resolutions to the Committee on Canons:

"The Committee appointed at the last Convention on the representation of feeble Parishes and Mission Stations in this Convention respectfully report:

The appointment of this Committee was occasioned by a passage in the Bishop's Address. He said [Journal of 1895, p. 45, 46]:

'A question of considerable importance is suggested by the number of decayed Parishes, of Parishes, that is, which were once vigorous, and largely, if not entirely, self-support-

ing, but which, owing to the ebb of population from their neigborhood, have sunk to a position of feebleness and dependence.

'Being organized Parishes, though unable now to comply with the conditions which we require for becoming a Parish, these small congregations have Parochial rights—for instance, the election of their own Rector, and a vote in the Diocesan Convention.

'On the other hand, a flourishing Mission, with perhaps a goodly number of Communicants, is restricted to a representative at the Convention, with no vote, and a voice only 'in deliberations respecting the Missions of the Diocese.'

'Here is an obvious inequality, which demands the consideration of the Convention. My own solution of the problem would be:—(1) To grant to every Mission of a certain strength, and which has been organized for a certain length of time, a single vote in Convention. And then—(2) To put in operation the power which is now given to the Bishop, acting with the consent of the Standing Committee, to reduce these decayed Parishes to the status of Missions.

'It would be an ungracious task to do this, without absolute necessity, under the present rule, and so to deprive of its vote a Parish which has perhaps taken a prominent part in the action of Diocesan Conventions for many years. But when this privilege of the vote was secured, I believe the Mission status would generally be accepted with little hesitation.'

On the first day of the Convention it was resolved on motion of the Rev. Mr. Weeks, 'That a committee of three be appointed by the Chair, to draft resolutions as to that portion of the Bishop's Address, which treated of the representation of feeble Parishes and Mission Stations in this Convention; said resolutions to be presented to the Convention

at the afternoon session, and then as passed upon to be referred to the Committee on Canons.' [Journal, p. 87].

The changes in the Canons proposed by this committee [p. 89] were deemed by the Committee on Canons inconsistent with the Constitution [p. 97], and after discussion the report of "the Committee and the subject matter relating thereto" were referred to a Special Committee to report to this Convention [p. 100].

Your Committee has had three meetings, on February 14th and April 10th and June 16th. At the first meeting the Committee agreed that Missions cannot be represented in the Convention without change in Arts. V and VI of the Constitution. It remained to be considered whether this difficulty could not be met by making it easier for Missions to become Parishes.

In this way we think it possible to solve the problem. Canon II, § 8 of Title III deals with this subject. It is in these words: "The change from the 'Mission' to the Parish may be made when, *first*, there shall be ten communicants; and when, *second*, the Station is able to support a Rector without missionary aid."

We recommend that the second condition here required be abandoned, and that the first clause of the section be amended, so as to read as follows:

'The change from the Mission to the Parish may be made, with the approval of the Bishop and Standing Committee when there shall be twenty-five communicants.'

The approval of the Bishop is already required by Art. VI of the Constitution. The important changes are the omission of the requirement that the Mission be self-supporting before becoming a Parish, the requirement of the consent of the Standing Committee, and the increasing the number of Communicants from ten to twenty-five. This

change would make it possible for eight of our Missions to organize as Parishes. Barre, which has 103 Communicants; Fair Haven, with 57; Newport, with 63; Richford, with 39; White River Junction, with 60; Winooski, with 60 (not counting 15 that were confirmed last Sunday); Lyndonville, with 40; and Olcott, with 25.

It did not seem expedient, however, to make it possible for these Missions to become Parishes except under certain restrictions, which in our judgment should apply to all Parishes that receive aid from the Diocese through the Missionary Committee. For this end we recommend the addition of a third section to Canon I of Title II, entitled "Of Vacant Parishes," as follows:

§3. When a Parish desires to receive aid from the Missionary Committee of the Diocese, the Wardens and Vestrymen, upon the occurrence of a vacancy, shall make application to the Bishop to appoint a clergyman to take the care of the Parish, which application shall be substantially as follows:

We, the undersigned, being a majority of the Wardens and Vestrymen of.....Church, ...being duly assembled according to the Canons, certify that we are unable to raise in the Parish money sufficient to pay the salary of a Rector. We therefore ask that you will appoint a clergyman to take the charge and spiritual oversight of the Parish, and we pledge ourselves to pay on the first day of every month (or at such other times as may be agreed upon) for the twelve months next ensuing, the sum of $.... to the Treasurer of the Missionary Committee.

The Clergyman thereupon appointed shall act as Rector in the administration of the Parish while remaining in pastoral charge under the Bishop's appointment."

The effect of this section, if adopted, will be to give the Bishop the appointment of the Clergyman in all parishes that receive aid through the Missionary Committee, as he has now the appointment of those in charge of Missions. It also gives Canonical sanction to the plan recently adopted by the Missionary Committee, requiring each aided parish to pay its Clergyman through the Treasurer of the Committee. It leaves the Clergyman so appointed subject to removal by the Bishop, as Clergymen in charge of Missions are now, but empowers him, while in charge of the Parish to act as Rector.

To sum up in few words the effect of all these proposed changes in the Canons: It is to reduce for the time to the present status of Missions all Parishes receiving aid from the Diocese through the Missionary Committee, except that they retain the name of Parish; their Vestry, and consequently the management of their own temporal affairs; and their representation in Convention. It gives Missions having twenty-five Communicants the opportunity of becoming Parishes, and of having representation in Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE B. JOHNSON,
EDWARD N. GODDARD,
E. L. WYMAN,
E. J. ORMSBEE,
ALLAN D. BROWN,
} Committee.

Resolved, That Canon II, Section 5 of Title III be amended so as to read as follows: "The change from the Mission to the Parish may be made, with the approval of the Bishop and Standing Committee, when there shall be twenty-five Communicants."

Resolved, That an additional section, to be numbered Section 3 be added to Canon I of Title II, entitled "Of Vacant Parishes," as follows:

Section 3. When a Parish desires to receive aid from the Missionary Committee of the Diocese, the Wardens and Vestrymen, upon the occurrence of a vacancy, shall make application to the Bishop to appoint a clergyman to take the care of the Parish, ——which application shall be substantially as follows·

We, the undersigned, being a majority of the Wardens and Vestrymen of —— Church, ——, being duly assembled according to the Canons, certify that we are unable to raise in the Parish money sufficient to pay the salary of a Rector. We therefore ask that you will appoint a clergyman to take the charge and spiritual oversight of the Parish, and we pledge ourselves to pay on the first day of every month (or at such other times as may be agreed upon) for the twelve months next ensuing, the sum of $—— to the Treasurer of the Missionary Committee.

The clergyman thereupon appointed shall act as Rector in the administration of the Parish, while remaining in pastoral charge under the Bishop's appointment."

On motion of Mr. Cannon,

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed by the Chair to consider and report on such portion of the Bishop's Triennial Charge as relates to the law of Divorce.

The Rev. Dr. Bliss, Messrs. Ormsbee and Parker were appointed as such committee.

The Trustees of the Diocese, through their Treasurer, Mr. E. P. Gilson, presented their report, which was read, accepted, adopted, and ordered to be printed in the Journal. [N.]

On motion of Mr. Parker,

Resolved, That the Convention proceed to elect a Trustee of the Diocese of Vermont, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term for which Mr. George Briggs was elected.

Mr. Parker nominated Mr. George Briggs, and no other name being presented, the Secretary was authorized by the Convention to cast its vote for Mr. Briggs, and he was declared to be elected to serve for seven years.

The Rev. Mr. Goddard presented the following amendment to the Canons, which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, That Section 3, Canon 7, Title II, be amended as follows: *Strike out* the last 15 lines, (beginning "And the Secretary" &c.) *and insert* instead thereof, the following:

Duplicate certificates of the election of these delegates, and substitutes, in the order of their election, shall be immediately prepared, one copy to be sent without delay to the Secretary of the last Convention, and the other to be given to the delegate first named, and the other delegates may have copies if they so request. And the certificates may be in the following form:

—— Church, ——, —— A. D. ——. This is to certify that at a meeting of the Vestry of said —— Church, duly convened, and in conformity to all the provisions

of the Canons of this Diocese, A. B., C. D., &c., were chosen delegates to represent this Parish in the ensuing Annual (or Special, as the case may be) Convention of the Diocese. And E. F., G. H., &c., were chosen as substitutes for the same, in case of their absence.

And the certificate shall be signed by the Rector, or the Church Warden presiding, or by the Secretary of the Vestry.

The President laid before the Convention the following communications from the General Convention:

To the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese of Vermont:

In compliance with the requirements of Title III., Canon 1, Section iii., of the Digest, I would hereby give particular notice that the following alteration in the Book of Common Prayer was proposed in the General Convention of 1895, and is to be acted upon at the General Convention of 1898; to wit, that contained in the subjoined resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the following change be made in the Book of Common Prayer, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted in the next General Convention:

That on the first day of January in the year of our Lord 1900, the place of the Golden Numbers prefixed to several days in the Calendar, between the twenty-first day of March and the eighteenth day of April, both inclusive, be changed, and that the Golden Numbers be prefixed to days in the Calendar in March and April, as in the following table:

In March:		In April:	
	21		1
14	22	13	2
3	23	2	3
	24		4
11	25	10	5
	26		6
19	27	18	7
8	28	7	8
	29		9
16	30	15	10
5	31	4	11
			12
		12	13
		1	14
			15
		9	16
		17	17
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and that in the fifth line of page xxv., the figures "1899" be changed to "2199."

In Testimony Whereof, I have this day hereunto affixed my name.

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS,
Secretary of the House of Deputies.

CONCORD, MASSACHUSETTS,
March 10, A. D. 1896.

To the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese of Vermont:

In compliance with the requirements of Title III., Canon 1, Section iii, of the Digest, I would hereby give particular notice that the following alterations of the Constitution of the Church are proposed: to wit, those comprised in the resolutions subjoined, said resolutions having been constitutionally adopted by a General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, held in the city of Minneapolis, Minnesota, in October, A. D. 1895, to wit:

First—It was by concurrent action of the two Houses of the Convention (*vide* Journal pages 30, 31, 222,)

Resolved, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Strike out the Title and insert in place thereof the following:

"Constitutions and Canons for the Government of that Portion of the Catholic Church known in Law as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America;" adding thereto the sub-title, "Constitutions."

Second—It was by concurrent action of the two Houses of the Convention (*vide* Journal pages 142, 143, 144, 325, 326, 327,)

Resolved, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Insert in place of Articles 1, 2 and 3 of the Constitution the following:

CONSTITUTIONS.

I.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Convention of this Church, consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and delib-

erate separately, and in all deliberations freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, but every act of the General Convention must be adopted by both Houses, and be certified by the signatures of the Presiding Officer and of the Secretary of each House.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church, having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop whose resignation of jurisdiction shall have been accepted, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of those who have resigned their jurisdictions, and those who are Bishops in foreign lands, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. The Senior Bishop of this Church in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall be the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops. He shall discharge such duties as may be prescribed by the Constitutions and Canons of the General Convention, or, for its own needs by the House of Bishops, and shall hold office for life, unless he resign or be relieved from that office by a vote of a majority of the Bishops entitled to a vote in the House of Bishops.

SEC. 4. The Church in each Diocese which shall have been admitted to the General Convention shall be entitled to be represented in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and by not more than four Laymen, communicants of this Church, and having domicile in the Diocese. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

A majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation shall be represented by Clerical Deputies, and also a majority of the Dioceses so entitled shall be represented by Lay Deputies, to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The absence of a majority of the Deputies of either Order of any Diocese shall not invalidate the representation of such Diocese, so long as there be present one or more Deputies of either Order. If any Diocese be not represented, or be represented in one Order only, such Diocese shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of the General Convention.

On any question the vote of the majority of the Deputies present shall suffice unless otherwise ordered by these Constitutions, or unless the Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by Orders; and in all cases of a vote by Orders, the two Orders shall vote separately; each Diocese having one vote for its Clerical and one for its Lay representation, if present; and the concurrence of the votes of the two Orders, by not less than a majority in each Order, of all the Dioceses represented in that Order at the time of the vote, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House; *Provided*, however, that if it shall appear that a constitutional quorum of the House has not voted, the Presiding Officer shall declare that there has been no vote of the House; and in such a case the question may be again put to the House when a quorum shall be present, at any time before the final adjournment of the Convention then in session.

SEC. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House during the session of the General Convention shall adjourn without the consent of the other for more than three days, nor to any place other than that in which the Convention shall be sitting.

SEC. 6. One Clerical and one Lay Delegate chosen by each Missionary District of this Church, or by a Convocation of the American Churches in Foreign Lands, convened by proper Ecclesiastical authority, shall have seats in the House of Deputies, subject to all the qualifications and with all the rights of Deputies except the right to vote.

SEC. 7. The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the first Wednesday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the preceding Convention, and at such place as shall have been determined on by the Convention; and if there shall appear to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be called in accordance with canonical provisions of the Convention.

Third—It was by concurrent action of the two Houses of the Convention (*vide* Journal pages 87, 88, 138, 146, 305, 306, 319, 327, 328, 332,)

Resolved, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

In the ninth line of Article 5 strike out the words "any other Diocese" and insert the words "any Missionary District, nor by the junction of any two or more Missionary Districts or parts of Districts, or any existing Diocese"; and in the thirteenth line strike out the words "as well as," and insert after the word "concerned" the words "and, in the case of a Missionary District or Districts, of the Bishop and Convocation of each, and in no case without the consent"

so that it shall read as follows :

"No new diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any Missionary District, nor by the junction of any two or more Missionary Districts or parts of Districts, or any existing Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses or parts of Dioceses or Districts, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned, and, in the case of a Missionary District or Districts, of the Bishop and Convocation of each, and in no case without the consent of the General Convention, and such consent shall not be given by the General Convention until it has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated Diocese."

Fourth—It was by concurrent action of the Houses of the Convention (*vide* Journal pages 170, 152, 313, 314, 337,)

Resolved, That the following alteration be made in Article 5 of the Constitution and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, in order that the same may be finally agreed to or ratified at the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution.

Add at the close of the second paragraph the following words: "and also of the consent to the erection of such Diocese of a majority of the parishes or congrega-

tions in union with the Diocesan Convention, or of the parishes or congregations canonically constituted in a Missionary District within the territory of the proposed new Diocese,"

so that the concluding portion of the second paragraph of Article 5, as thus amended, shall read as follows:

"And such consent shall not be given by the General Convention until it has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated new Diocese; and also of the consent to the erection of such Diocese of a majority of the parishes or congregations in union with the Diocesan Convention, or of the parishes or congregations canonically constituted in a Missionary District within the territory of the proposed new Diocese."

Fifth—It was by concurrent action of the Houses of the Convention (*vide* Journal pages 96, 128, 319, 327, 328,)

Resolved, That the following amendment be made to the Constitution, and that the proposed amendment be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be finally agreed to and ratified in the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Constitution:

Add to Article 5 of the Constitution the following, to wit: "The General Convention may accept a cession of a part of the territorial jurisdiction of a Diocese when the Bishop and Convention of such Diocese shall propose such cession, and three-fourths of the parishes in the ceded territory and also the same proportion of the parishes within the remaining territory, shall consent thereto."

Article 5 as amended by the third, fourth and fifth of the foregoing resolutions will read as follows:

A Protestant Episcopal Church in any of the United States, or any Territory thereof, not now represented, may, at any time hereafter, be admitted on acceding to this Constitution; and a new Diocese, to be formed from one or more existing Dioceses, may be admitted under the following restrictions, viz.:—

No new Diocese shall be formed or erected within the limits of any Missionary District, nor by the junction of any two or more Missionary Districts, or parts of Districts, or any existing Diocese, nor shall any Diocese be formed by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, unless with the consent of the Bishop and Convention of each of the Dioceses concerned, and, in the case of a Missionary District or Districts, of the Bishop and Convocation of each, and in no case without the consent of the General Convention, and such consent shall not be given by the General Convention until it has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate in the contemplated new Diocese; and also of the consent to the erection of such Diocese of a majority of the parishes or congregations in union with the Diocesan Convention, or of the parishes or congregations canonically constituted in a Missionary District within the territory of the proposed new Diocese.

No such new Diocese shall be formed which shall contain less than six Parishes, or less than six Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a Parish or Congregation, and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain less than twelve Parishes, or less than twelve Presbyters, who have been residing therein and settled and qualified as above mentioned: *Provided*, that no city shall form more than one Diocese.

In case one Diocese shall be divided into two or more Dioceses, the Diocesan of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and shall thereupon become the Diocesan thereof; and the Bishop Coadjutor if there be one, may elect the one to which he will be attached; and if it be not the one elected by the Bishop, he shall be the Diocesan thereof.

Whenever the division of a Diocese into two or more Dioceses shall be ratified by the General Convention, each of the Dioceses shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese so divided, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered in either Diocese by the Convention thereof. And whenever a Diocese shall be formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, the new Diocese shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of Clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, until the same may be altered by the Convention of the new Diocese.

The General Convention may accept a cession of a part of the territorial jurisdiction of a Diocese when the Bishop and Convention of such Diocese shall propose such cession, and three-fourths of the parishes in the ceded territory, and also the same proportion of the parishes within the remaining territory, shall consent thereto.

In testimony whereof, I have this day hereunto affixed my name.

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS,
Secretary of the House of Deputies.

CONCORD, MASSACHUSETTS,
March 2, A. D. 1896.

This communication on amendments of the Constitution was, on motion, referred to a special committee to report to the next Diocesan Convention.

The President appointed as such committee the Rev. Dr. Bliss, the Rev. Messrs. Johnson and Richardson, and Messrs. Ormsbee and Temple.

The President then read the following letter, which was in response to the Resolutions passed at last Convention. [Journal, p. 99.]

SOCIETY FOR THE PROPAGATION
OF THE GOSPEL IN FOREIGN PARTS,
19 Delahay St., WESTMINSTER, S. W.,
July 19, 1895.

My dear Lord Bishop:

I had the pleasure yesterday of reading to the Society at its monthly meeting held to-day, your kind letter, dated St. John the Baptist Day, and the resolutions of your Diocesan Convention.

It is difficult for me to express the warmth of satisfaction with which both the documents were received. Of all the work which it has been allowed to do for the Church, there is nothing in its past history for which the Society is more thankful than the part which it was enabled to take in planting the great Church in the United States.

I am, My dear Lord Bishop,

Your faithful servant,

HENRY W. TUCKER,
Secretary.

TO THE RT. REV.,
THE LORD BISHOP OF VERMONT.

The Auditors of Trust Funds made their report, which was read, accepted and that portion of it relating to Trust Funds held in and by certain parishes ordered to be printed in the Appendix. [O.]

On motion of Rev. Dr. Bliss, the Rev. Francis W. Smith was elected Registrar of the Diocese.

On motion of Rev. A. D. Brown the Convention took a recess until 2.30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, 2.30 P. M.

The Convention met and resumed business.

The reports of Mr. Chapman, Treasurer of the Trustees of the Fund for the Relief of Aged and Infirm Clergymen, and also of the Alonzo Jackman Fund for the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, were presented and read. They were accepted and ordered to be printed in the Appendix. [D. and E.]

The Committee upon Canons presented a report, which on motion of the Rev. Mr. Davis, was made the special order immediately after the Bishop's address.

The Rev. Dr. Bliss, from the Committee upon the resolution of Mr. Cannon relative to the law of Divorce, reported that they had had the same under consideration, and recommended that the following memorial be presented to the Legislature of Vermont at its next session; and further recommended that a Committee consisting of two clergymen and three laymen be appointed by the Bishop, who should, along with the Bishop, be authorized, directed and empowered to secure the proper presentation of this memorial or petition to the Legislature of Vermont, and to aid in securing its end and purpose.

J. ISHAM BLISS,
E. J. ORMSBEE,
CHAS. E. PARKER,
} Committee.

The report of the Committee was accepted and adopted, and the Bishop appointed the Committee as therein recommended, as follows: The Rev. Dr. Bliss, and Rev. Allan D. Brown, and Messrs. E. J. Ormsbee, George Briggs and Charles E. Parker.

THE MEMORIAL.

To the General Assembly of the State of Vermont, 1896:

In the exercise of the rights secured to us by the Constitution of Vermont (Art. 20, ch. 9) we, the undersigned, representing the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Vermont, and on behalf of said Convention, duly assembled at Middlebury on the 17th day of June, 1896, do hereby respectfully present this our petition on the subject of the laws of the State making provision for and governing Divorce.

We hereby call your attention to the fact that while a freedom of Divorce for various causes, which we deeply deplore, is granted by the Vermont Statutes, no provision is found therein for a judicial separation, or divorce *a mensa et thoro*, which, without assuming to dissolve the marriage bond, would give protection and relief to an injured husband or wife in sad cases of necessity, where the continuance of active marriage relations may have become unbearable;

That under our existing law the only means whereby an injured partner can obtain such protection and relief is by seeking an absolute divorce, *a vinculo matrimonii;*

That many persons are in conscience unable to seek or countenance such an absolute divorce, believing it to be contrary to the Christian law, and are hereby deprived, under the existing statutes, of the protection and relief which they may rightly look for from the civil law.

We therefore pray that your honorable body will take into consideration the insertion into the Vermont Statutes of a carefully guarded provision for judicial separation, which would carry with it no right to re-marry.

The Rev. Dr. Harris and Mr. Edmond L. Wyman were appointed delegates to the Missionary Council, to be held in October.

The Rev. Mr. Bonnar presented the invitation of Mr. Henry L. Sheldon to the members of the Convention to visit the Sheldon Museum.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Collins,

Resolved, That the Convention extend its thanks to Mr. Sheldon, and accept with pleasure his kind invitation.

The Bishop then delivered his

ANNUAL ADDRESS.

[*Appendix A.*]

The address being concluded, the Rev. Mr. Smith, Chairman of the Committee on Canons, reported that they had had under consideration the report of the Special Committee, appointed at last Convention, upon feeble Parishes and Missions, which was presented by the Rev. Mr. Johnson, in the forenoon, with amendments to Canon 1, Sec. 8, Title III, and to Canon I, Title II, "of vacant Parishes," with resolutions accompanying, and that they recommended the adoption of them. The amendments were then, one by one, on motion approved by the Convention.

The Committee further reported, that they had considered the amendment to Canon 7, Sec. 3, Title II, presented by the Rev. Mr. Goddard, relative to certificates of Lay Delegates, and recommended its approval. But after some discussion,

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Randall it was

Resolved, That the report of the Committee be non-concurred in.

Mr. Ward, Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund, submitted the report of the Trustees of that fund, which was accepted, adopted and ordered printed in the Appendix [F.].

Mr. Cannon submitted the following Preamble and Resolution, which were adopted :

Whereas, By the report of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund and the Trustees of the Diocese it appears that the income is insufficient to pay in full the salary of the Bishop; Therefore,

Resolved, That an appeal be made to the Convention, instructing the committee on assessments to increase the assessments for the ensuing year for an amount of not less than $100.00.

The Committee on Finance submitted its report, which on motion of Mr. Temple was accepted and adopted, and assessments ordered as recommended by the Committee, payable to the Treasurer before September 1st, 1896.

The assessments for the current year are as follows :

St. James's, Arlington	$15 00
St. Peter's, Bennington	21 00
Calvary Church, Berkshire	3 00
Christ Church, Bethel	6 00
Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls	33 00
Church of the Good Shepherd, Barre	3 00
St. Thomas's, Brandon	12 00
St. Michael's, Brattleboro	18 00
St. Paul's, Burlington	70 00
St. Luke's, Chester	9 00
Christ Church, Enosburgh	2 00
St. Matthew's, Enosburgh Falls	7 00
St. Luke's, Fair Haven	5 00
Christ Church, Fairfax	2 00
St. James's, Hydeville	3 00
Christ Church, Island Pond	4 00
Zion Church, Manchester Center	11 00
St. Stephen's, Middlebury	17 00
Union Church, Montgomery	3 00
Christ Church, Montpelier	37 00

St. Mark's, Newport	$ 3 00
St. Mary's, Northfield	7 00
St. Augustine's, North Troy	2 00
St. John's, Poultney	15 00
St. John's, Randolph	5 00
Grace Church, Randolph Centre	3 00
St. Ann's, Richford	2 00
St. Paul's, Royalton	2 00
Trinity Church, Rutland	62 00
Grace Church, Sheldon	2 00
Trinity Church, Shelburne	7 00
St. Luke's, St. Albans	50 00
St. Andrew's, St. Johnsbury	21 00
Holy Trinity Church, Swanton	3 00
St. Paul's, Vergennes	12 00
St. Paul's, White River Junction	4 00
St. Paul's, Windsor	7 00
Trinity Church, Winooski	2 00
St. James's, Woodstock	7 00
Grace Church, West Rutland	3 00
	$500 00

JOHN N. WOODFIN,
FREDERICK W. CHILDS,
SPENCER W. HINDES,
} Committee on Finance.

MIDDLEBURY, Vt., June 18, 1896.

Mr. Gilson called attention to the Charter of the Trustees of the Fund for the Support of the Bishop of the Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Vermont which refers to the disposition of the income of that fund.

On motion of Mr. Cannon,

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund be directed to pay over to the Bishop of the Diocese the net income from time to time as it may be received on said fund, said income to be paid through the Treasurer of the Diocese.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Johnson,

Resolved, That the amendment to Article 7 of the Constitution of the Diocese, which was proposed and approved by the last Convention, as follows:

Strike out from 1, 6, 7 and 8 of Article 7 or the Constitution (p. 8, ed. of 1885, or p. 246 of the Journal of 1893) the following words, namely:

"At every Convention the lay delegates shall report to the Bishop the temporal condition of their respective parishes, stating their income, their debts, and the amount of their Minister's salary," and insert instead thereof as follows:

Reports of the condition of every Parish and Mission shall be made to the Bishop at least two weeks before each Annual Convention by the respective Rectors (or Ministers) and Church Wardens thereof, which reports shall include a statement of the income of the Parish, its debts and the amount of the Minister's salary, together with such other particulars as may be defined by canon or required by the Bishop.

The amendment was read by the President and unanimously adopted by both Orders voting separately, and afterwards approved by the Bishop, and the Constitution was then declared by the President to be amended accordingly.

The Treasurer of the Diocese, Mr, Temple, submitted his reports, which were read, accepted and ordered to be printed in the appendix (K. and L.).

On motion the Rev. Mr. McCully,

Resolved, That the Treasurer be directed to pay the travelling expenses of the Clergy to this Convention.

On motion of Mr. Ormsbee,

Resolved, That this Convention would look with favor upon any amendment of the Statute Laws of this State bearing upon the subject of Divorce, that would or might have the effect to reduce the number of divorces. And that it is the wish of this Convention that the Committee to be appointed at this session by the Bishop on a single question pertaining to the subject of Divorce may, in addition to their duties as such committee, do what they can by co-operating with other persons or bodies, or otherwise, in procuring such amendments.

The Committee on the Episcopal Fund submitted the following report, which was accepted and adopted, and the following assessments upon the Parishes for the Bishop's

salary were ordered, payable to the Treasurer of the Diocese before the first day of January, 1897:

St. Peter's, Bennington	$30 00
Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls	75 00
Christ Church, Bethel	8 00
Calvary Church, Berkshire	7 50
St. Thomas's, Brandon	15 00
St. Michael's, Brattleboro	25 00
St. Luke's, Chester	15 00
St. Mathew's, Enosburgh Falls	7 50
Christ Church, Guilford	3 00
St. James's, Hydeville	6 00
St. Stephen's, Middlebury	8 00
Union Church, Montgomery	6 00
St. John's, Poultney	8 00
Grace Church, Randolph Centre	7 50
St. John's, Randolph	7 50
St. Paul's, Royalton	5 00
Grace Church, West Rutland	5 00
St. Andrew's, St. Johnsbury	18 00
St. Paul's, Wells	3 00
St. James's, Woodstock	25 00
Total	$285 00

JAMES B. JONES,
GEORGE R. BOTTUM,
LEG. B. CANNON,
} Committee.

Middlebury, Vt., June 18, 1896.

The Rev. E. S. Stone presented an amendment to the Canons relative to the time of holding Parish Meetings, which after being considered by the Convention was on motion of Mr. Dewey laid on the table.

The Convention proceeded to the election of a Treasurer. Mr. Edward L. Temple of Rutland being the only name presented, the Secretary by vote of Convention was authorized to cast the vote for Mr. Temple, and he was declared to be unanimously elected.

On motion of Rev. A. D. Brown the Convention took a recess until 7.30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, 7.30 P. M.

The Convention was called to order by the President, when the Missionary Committee, through their Secretary, the Rev. Mr. Atwell, presented their report, which was read and ordered to be printed in the Journal. [G.]

The Treasurer, Mr. E. L. Temple, presented his reports, which were likewise ordered to be printed in the Journal. [H. I. J.]

On motion of Rev. Dr. Bliss,

Resolved, That the resolution to send all contributions for General Missions through the Diocesan Treasurer passed at a previous Convention be rescinded.

The Rev. Dr. Harris, Diocesan Missionary, read the report made by him to the Bishop.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of the Missionary Committee, the Rev. G. Y. Bliss and Mr. Johnson being appointed tellers.

The following nominations were made: The Rev. Messrs. Weeks, Atwell, Richardson, Sanford, A. D. Brown, and Messrs. Parker, Temple, Shanley.

The Tellers reported that the following persons had received a majority of the votes cast, and they were declared to be elected :

The Rev. George L. Richardson,
The Rev. Allan D. Brown,
The Rev. David L. Sanford,
Mr. Charles E. Parker,
Mr. Edward L. Temple,
Mr. Hobart J. Shanley.

On motion of Mr. Arthur,

Resolved, That the Missionary Committee be authorized to apportion among the Parishes and Missions such sums for the ensuing year as will, with other sources of income in its hands, maintain the present schedule of appropriations and also such new work as is outlined in its report.

Resolved, That the Woman's Auxiliary be requested to contribute, as in the past, toward the support of the Diocesan Missionary.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Sanford,

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of the Convention are hereby tendered to the Woman's Auxiliary for their contributions towards Missions in the Diocese in the past.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Bliss the Convention adjourned to Thursday at 8.30 A.M.

SECOND DAY.

After celebration of the Holy Communion at 7 o'clock A. M., Thursday, June 18th, the Convention met pursuant to adjournment at 8.30 A. M.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Mr. Bonnar, the Lessons being read by the Bishop and the Rev. Dr. Harris.

Divine service being concluded, the Convention resumed business at the Town Hall, the President in the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Johnson, Chairman of the Special Committee on representation of feeble Parishes and Missions, called up the report of the Committee on Canons made yesterday and approved by the Convention, in which it recommended the adoption of the amendments proposed by him to the following Canons—Canon 2, Sec. 8, Title III; and Canon 1, Title II.

After consideration of the amendments by the Convention,

On motion of Mr. DeBoer, it was

Resolved, That the report of the Committee recommending the adoption of the amendment to Canon 2, Sec. 8, Title III, be non-concurred in.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Johnson,

Resolved, That the proposed amendment to Canon 1, Title II, be laid on the table.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Davis,

Resolved, That the whole matter of the representations of Missions and Weak Parishes in the Diocesan Convention be referred to a Special Committee of three clergymen and two laymen with instructions to report to the Convention of 1897.

On motion of Mr. Temple,

Resolved, That the Special Committee on the representation of Missions and Weak Parishes be instructed to print their report and procure the distribution of copies of the same to each parish and mission, at least thirty days previous to the next Annual Convention.

The President subsequently appointed as such Committee the Rev. Dr. Harris, the Rev. Messrs. Davis and Foster, and Messrs. De Boer and Briggs.

On motion of Mr. Dewey,

Resolved, That George R. Bottum, James B. Jones, Daniel W. Robinson, be elected Auditors of Trust Funds.

The Rev. Allan D. Brown who was elected yesterday as a member of the Missionary Committee, asked to be excused from serving on said Committee.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Bliss, Mr. Brown was excused.

The Convention then proceeded to fill the vacancy.

The Rev. Mr. Atwell and the Rev. Mr. Foster were nominated.

The Rev. Mr. Appleton and Mr. Wilson were appointed Tellers, who reported upon receiving and canvassing the ballots, that the Rev. Mr. Atwell had received a majority of all the votes cast, and he was declared to be elected a member of the Missionary Committee for the year ensuing.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Johnson,

Resolved, That it be referred to a Committee of three laymen to consider the expense of printing the Journal, both as regards the matter contained therein, and the number of copies, and also the prices of different printers, to report to the next Convention.

The President appointed as such Committee Messrs. Woodfin, Childs and Locke.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Weeks,

Resolved, That this Convention wishes to place on record its thankful appreciation of the constant benefactions of Mrs. Mary E. Baxter to the work of the Church in Vermont, both parochial and diocesan, during her life, and her remembrance of the same in her will—adopted by a rising vote.

On motion of Mr. Briggs,

Resolved, That the next Annual Convention of the Diocese be held in St. Thomas's Church, Brandon, on the third Wednesday of June, 1897, unless the Bishop and Standing Committee determine to fix some other date.

On motion of Mr. Temple,

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Convention cause to be printed twelve hundren copies of the Journal of the Convention, to distribute one hundred to the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, and the balance at his discretion, the printing to be given to the lowest responsible bidder.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Sanford,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be and are hereby tendered to the Rector, Vestrymen and Parishioners of St. Stephen's Church, Middlebury, for their most generous hospitality to the members and visitors of this Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Weeks,

Resolved, That the further thanks be offered to the Rector, Vestrymen and Parishioners of St. Stephen's Church, Middlebury, for having provided some other place beside the Church for holding the business sessions of this Convention.

The minutes of the proceedings of the Convention were then read by the Secretary and approved.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Bonnar,

Resolved, That after the usual Devotions the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

ARTHUR C. A. HALL,

Bishop of the Diocese and President of the Convention.

THOS. H. CANFIELD, *Secretary.*

APPENDIX A.

THE BISHOP'S THIRD ANNUAL ADDRESS.

My Brethren of the Clergy and of the Laity:

Having already at the Opening Service delivered my first Triennial Charge, my third Annual Address will be brief, and limited to Diocesan concerns; to the official reports which I am bound to make to the Convention, and to a few suggestions which seem called for by the parochial reports that I have received.

Two illnesses and a crippling accident have interfered with my active work in different parts of the Diocese. Nevertheless I have during the year visited and ministered in far the greater number of our parishes, though not always for the purpose of administering Confirmation, nor in all cases for the regular annual Visitation.

I am thankful to say that I have not at any time been unable to attend to Diocesan affairs at home. Two gatherings of the great majority of the Clergy at Rock Point, one for the spiritual exercises of a Retreat in September, and one for a Conference in Easter week, have lessened the disadvantage of my inability to go about the Diocese as much as I should wish and as I had planned.

My ministrations have been:

Celebrations of the Holy Communion: *Forty-six* in Churches of the Diocese, with *eighty-five* in the Chapel of the Bishop's House, and *twenty-eight* outside the Diocese.

Confirmations: On *twenty-five* occasions within the Diocese to *one hundred and sixty-five* Candidates; and in the Diocese of Rhode Island, acting for Bishop Clark, on *twenty-one* occasions, to *two hundred and ninety-seven* Candidates.

Ordinations: *One* Deacon in the Diocese; and in Rhode Island, *one* Deacon and *one* Priest.

Baptisms: *Three* adults, and *eleven* infants.

Marriages: *Two.*

Burials: *Two.*

Sermons in the Diocese: *One hundred and thirty-two.*

Catechizings: *Nine;* with *five* other Addresses.

Outside the Diocese: *Sixty-eight* Sermons, and *ten* Addresses.

I laid the Foundation Stone of the Church of the Good Shepherd at Barre on June twentieth (the second day of our last Convention), and opened the Church for Divine Service with prayers of benediction on the first Sunday in Lent.

The Church of our Saviour at Sherburne, erected and endowed by Mrs. Charles Clement, as a memorial to her family, I formally licensed for use in September, being prevented by my accident from being present at the time to Consecrate it. This I now hope to do when we can find a suitable clergyman to undertake the missionary work in the adjoining towns, for which the Church is designed to be a centre.

I have given my canonical consent to the Consecration of four Bishops: Dr. Frank Rosebrook Millspaugh as Bishop

of Kansas, Dr. Lewis William Burton as Bishop of Lexington, Dr. Henry Yates Satterlee as Bishop of Washington, Dr. Joseph Horsfall Johnson as Bishop of Los Angeles ; and to the election of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Garrett to be the Bishop of the new Diocese at Dallas, his former Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern Texas.

One member of the House of Bishops has passed away during the year, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Mark Antony DeWolfe Howe, of Central Pennsylvania. His former Coadjutor, Bishop Rulison, succeeds him as Diocesan.

During the three weeks of the General Convention I was in constant attendance at the sessions of the House of Bishops. No action was taken which calls for mention here. Formal notice will be laid before the Convention of certain steps towards the revision of the written "Constitution."

The small number of Confirmations in the Diocese is chiefly due to the Bishop's illness in the spring, during the very months, between Easter and the Convention, when most of his visitations were to have been made. It is also in part due to the change of rectorship in some of our larger parishes, where the new pastor naturally desired to become better acquainted with the people before preparing a class for Confirmation.

There have been several changes in our clerical staff. We have gained somewhat in numbers, and, I think, considerably in strength. *Six* Clergymen have been transferred to other Dioceses. *Eight* have been received, and *One* Deacon ordained. Our present number is, beside the Bishop, *Thirty-seven* Priests and *Two* Deacons. *One* Candidate for Holy Orders has been admitted, the name of *One* has been removed from the list, and *Two* have withdrawn, making the present number *Five*.

The Missions at Newport and North Troy will shortly be vacant; and I grieve to say that it is no longer possible for Mr. Allan Brown to continue in charge of the Mission at Barre, which owes so much to him, for spiritual and temporal progress, during the past two years. Some new arrangement is needed for the care of Sheldon, Fairfield and Fairfax, which I hope may be served from St. Albans, while Highgate is united with Swanton. The linking of smaller with larger places has worked well at St. Johnsbury (with Lyndonville and North Concord as dependencies), and at Rutland with West Rutland, both in strengthening the feebler cures, and in providing a proper sphere of subordinate ministry for Deacons, whom I cannot appoint to isolated posts.

The Schools at Rock Point have been an object of care and a source of some anxiety. My Chaplain and I have ministered regularly in both the Chapels. Mr. Johnson has also given constant religious instruction in class at the Girls' School. At the Hall one pupil was baptized, and four confirmed. The number of pupils at Bishop Hopkins Hall nearly doubled that of last year, and satisfactory progress was made in all ways. The School has been a refined Christian home for girls, with solid education under the influence and guidance of the Church. As in the previous year I was entrusted by friends outside the Diocese with $700, for Scholarships to aid pupils who could not otherwise meet the expenses. These scholarships are given by preference to Vermont girls. I am more and more convinced of the absolute necessity of endowments to put our Schools on a proper footing. Without endowments the advantages of the Schools are practically closed to large numbers of the sons and daughters of our Vermont people, for whose benefit the

Schools were primarily—not exclusively—designed, and for whose help in the way of education we are primarily responsible. Nor in the absence of endowments can the Institutions be really Diocesan, as directly under the care of the Bishop and of representatives of the Diocese in the Board of Trustees. While we continue the policy which I found in existence when I came, and which had seemed the only one open to the Trustees, of leasing the Schools, our control and responsibility must of necessity be limited. At the Hall a somewhat complicated arrangement has worked very well, thanks to the co-operation of all concerned, and especially to the skill and devotion of the Lady Principal. But to ensure permanence to the present encouraging state of things of which I have already spoken, and to place the School on a really stable footing, the Trustees ought to have the financial control. To assure this we must have some capital (beyond the twenty-three thousand two hundred dollars which is all we now have*), in addition to our buildings and land, on which we are (very wisely) forbidden to place any encumbrance.

The Boys' School has been small in numbers during the past year, and I cannot say satisfactory in character. Nor do I see how it can be made worthy of Diocesan sanction and recommendation until it is taken, by our shouldering the financial responsibility, under real Diocesan control.

I therefore do most earnestly ask friends of Religious Education, and all who are interested in spreading the influence of the Church in rural States like ours, to aid us in this matter of endowments, that we may be enabled to use with real profit to the community the magnificent property which we

*For the Girls' School the Howard Fund, $20,000, and $100 the nucleus of an endowment for a scholarship to be given by the Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary. For the Boys' School, the J. H. H. Canfield Memorial Fund, $3,000, and the William Haggerty Fund (the nucleus of an endowment for a scholarship) $100.

have inherited. For our Schools—a leading feature in Bishop Hopkins's administration—to fail, would be a grievous injury to the whole work of the Diocese. Our Schools rightly established and maintaining a high standard would be a source of great strength to the Church, not only in Vermont, but wherever, East or West, our scholars should in after life be settled.

Endowments must, I know, come largely from outside the Diocese. While I cannot go cap in hand to beg of wealthy Churchmen, I commend this appeal most earnestly to their consideration, and I beg of you all to do whatever you can, by direct gifts, large or small, or by bringing the matter before others, to aid in this work.

It was a part of Bishop Hopkins's original plan that the Bishop should have candidates preparing for the Ministry under his care. The idea of the Willoughby Professorship has been partially realized by my having one or two—three in all—candidates for Holy Orders living in the Episcopal Residence ever since it was ready for occupation, studying under the direction of myself and my Chaplain, and sharing in our life and devotions.

Turning to the Parochial Reports, let me first make two or three explanations. The form of Report follows that recommended by a committee of the Convention to whom the matter was referred several years ago. Some additional inquiries are made, which experience has proved necessary. A requirement of greater fulness and stricter accuracy in these Annual Reports in the past might, I feel sure, have saved the Church in some places from pecuniary loss, and from a loss of confidence which is still more to be deplored. Any pains that have to be taken to fill out the Reports accurately are, I am convinced, repaid by the clearer knowl-

edge of actual facts thus brought home not only to the Bishop, but also to the Parochial authorities themselves. A reference to our Diocesan Canons will shew that it is contemplated that the Bishop should "propound to the Minister, Wardens, and Vestrymen" of a Parish, "such heads of inquiry as he may deem expedient" as a part of his Visitation.* While wishing (as you know) to make my regular Visitation of a parish as real and thorough as possible, and not merely an occasion for the administration of Confirmation, I desire the Parochial Report to be regarded as containing such Visitation Questions (in a convenient form for reference) as well as the statement required by another Canon to be made in connection with the Convention.†

The Parochial Report it was determined by the Diocesan Convention of 1895 should be henceforth *one joint report*, signed by both clergyman and lay officers. I desire to call particular attention to this provision and to its value. Clergyman and Wardens should alike be interested in both the spiritual and the temporal welfare of the parish. Their common signature of a joint report should prevent any discrepancy or misunderstanding concerning any of its affairs, financial or other. An intelligent interest in the matter, and a sense of the responsibility belonging to a signature, would, I cannot but think, have prevented some of the startling and irreconcilable statements, with regard to figures and to facts, which appeared in some of the Reports which were sent to me.

Coming to details, I note with thankfulness a marked increase in many places in the number of baptisms; a correspondence on the part of a considerable number of the clergy with my suggestion made last year as to the import-

* Title II, Canon X.
† Canon IX.

ance of public catechizing "before the congregation," as a part of a regular service, and distinct from the Sunday School; and a further advance in the establishment of weekly celebrations of the Holy Communion. A rule of less frequent celebration is now distinctly the exception in the Diocese.

Greater care in revising the Communicants' List, and a general adoption of my recommendation not to count persons who have not received the Holy Sacrament during the last two years, has resulted in slightly diminishing (by 34) our roll of nominal communicants, while it has considerably lessened the dreadful gap between the number reported as communicants and the number who have actually communicated during the year. Not all parishes have reported both figures. The total number of communicants reported throughout the Diocese is 4,854.* In the forty-seven returns which have given both figures, the number on the list is reported as 2,699, of whom 2,351 have received during the year, leaving a difference of 348, as against a difference of 478 in forty-three returns last year.

With regard to services, there is one point which I desire this year to urge,—the observance more generally throughout the Diocese of Holy-days appointed by the Church, both Festivals and Fasts. The Seasons of the Christian Year are regaining their place in our thoughts, and are being increasingly observed and prized by persons outside our communion. Saints' Days, on which we praise God for gifts of grace bestowed on His chosen servants, and on the whole Church through them, are less commonly observed. But days (outside of Lent) appointed by the same author-

* To this number should be added about 200 scattered communicants under the care of the Diocesan Missionary.

ity for fasting and special prayer, such as the Rogation Days (which should surely appeal to a rural community), and the Ember Days at the different seasons, are rarely noticed. Beside the value of consistency and of obedience, would there not be a virtue in the very variety which the faithful following of the Church's Calendar introduces into our devotions public and private? Would not this anticipate in an orderly fashion, and render needless, some of the extraordinary efforts to stimulate attention and interest which we not infrequently meet with?

I commend to your attention the Table of Feasts to be observed in this Church throughout the year, and the Table of Fasts, at the beginning of the Prayer Book.

Another feature in the Reports I note with pleasure—the larger and more general offerings for Missions, Domestic and Foreign. This year there are but few Parishes or Missions which have not contributed something to extra Diocesan purposes. The amounts are often small, far smaller, in most cases perhaps, than they need or should be; but still we have made an advance. Our total of contributions for Domestic and Foreign Missions is, I fear, unduly swollen by several parishes counting under these heads the value of boxes of clothing and other articles which have been sent. These, however acceptable to the Missionaries, and whatever their worth as representing self denying work on the part of the donors, do not help the Board of Missions to meet its obligations for stipends, and should be reported as separate from and additional to money contributions.

With regard to Offerings and other matters I would bespeak your attention to the Tabulated Summary of Parochial Reports which will be found in the Journal when published, and I would beg the Clergy to see that the Journals,

which are printed at considerable expense, are really circulated among the people, and not allowed, as I fear has sometimes and in some places been the case, to lie stored away in vestry or study. Both in Diocesan and in more general Church affairs interest, sympathy, aid, reform follow information.

A pastoral letter addressed to the congregations in Advent, dealing specially with some financial matters, will be reprinted in the Journal for reference; also the Bishop's official diary with some additional details and lists.

Points more directly connected with our Diocesan Missions I reserve for consideration in connection with the Report of the Missionary Committee.

THE BISHOP'S JOURNAL.

June 19th, 1895. Wednesday. Presided at the meeting of the One Hundred and Fifth Annual Convention of the Diocese, in Christ Church, Montpelier, celebrating the Holy Communion at the opening service, and delivering my second Annual Address.

20th. Thursday. Celebrated the Holy Communion at seven, and presided at the concluding session of the Convention. At noon laid the Foundation Stone of the new Church of the Good Shepherd at Barre, in the presence of a large number of the Clergy and lay people. In the evening Confirmed four candidates in the temporary Chapel, and preached on "The analogy between the building of the material and of the spiritual Temple."

22d. Saturday. To Northfield. Conference with the Vestry of St. Mary's in the evening.

June 23d. SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Celebrated early and preached at mid-day at St. Mary's. In the afternoon preached the Baccalaureate Sermon for Norwich University in the Methodist Church. Evening Prayer at St. Mary's.

24th. Monday. ST. JOHN BAPTIST DAY. Celebrated Holy Communion at St. Mary's, Northfield, at seven. In the evening began the Retreat for Churchwomen at Bishop Hopkins Hall. Nearly fifty present; almost all from the Diocese.

25th, 26th. Tuesday and Wednesday. Retreat at the Hall. Holy Communion ; Morning and Evening Prayer ; Three Addresses ; Intercessions at noon ; Compline.

27th. Thursday. Ended the Retreat with the Celebration of the Holy Communion.

28th. Friday. Presided at a meeting of the Missionary Committee, at which were made the Apportionments and Appropriations for the year.

29th. Saturday. ST. PETER'S DAY. Celebrated in the the Bishop's Chapel.* In the Chapel of the Institute married Charles Leslie Leonard and Emma Howard Dorsey, one of our teachers.

June 30th. THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. At St. James's, Greenfield, Massachusetts. Celebrated the Holy Communion early. Preached morning, afternoon and evening.

July 1st-3rd. Monday-Wednesday. At Northfield, Massachusetts, to give Addresses at the Conference of College students.

2d. Tuesday. Gave my canonical consent to the Consecration of the Rev. Frank Rosebrook Millspaugh elected to the See of Kansas.

4th. Thursday. At Brattleboro. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist at seven at St. Michael's Church. At Evensong baptized an infant, confirmed a person, and preached.

5th. Friday. At Wilmington. Held service in the evening and preached in the Congregational Church.

6th. Saturday. To Bennington. Conference with the Vestry of St. Peter's in the evening.

*I do not ordinarily record the daily services either in my Chapel or elsewhere.

July 7th. FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. St. Peter's, Bennington. Celebrated Holy Communion early. Confirmed two candidates at the forenoon service, and preached, the Rector celebrating. Catechised the Sunday School. Preached in the evening.

8th. Monday. At Manchester. Met most of the people belonging to St. John's, and the Rev. Clarence Bispham, who is officiating there for July and August. Said Evening Prayer and preached at Zion Church, Manchester Centre, which is without a Rector. Conference with the Vestry after service.

9th. Tuesday. Celebrated Holy Communion in Zion Church at seven. Later baptized five children. In the afternoon met with a committee of the Vestry of Trinity Church, Rutland. In the evening confirmed five candidates at Grace Church, West Rutland (two being from Proctor), and preached.

11th. Thursday. In the Chapel of the Bishop's House solemnized a marriage. Removed the name of William Cyprian Hopkins, Jr., from the list of candidates for Holy Orders, at his request.

July 14th. FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Bishop Johnston of Western Texas, who is staying with us, celebrated in the Chapel. Accompanied him to St. Paul's in the forenoon when he made an appeal for his work. Said Evensong and preached in the Chapel of the Institute.

20th. Saturday. To Island Pond. Met with the Vestry of Christ Church in the evening. Accepted the Letter Dimissory of the Rev. Alfred Arthur Vincent Binnington from the Diocese of Nova Scotia. Mr. Binnington is appointed to the charge of this parish.

July 21st. SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. At Christ Church, Island Pond. Celebrated and preached at mid-day. Baptized two children and catechised in the afternoon. At evening service confirmed eight candidates and preached.

24th. Wednesday. After two nights at North Hatley, visited the border parish of Stanstead, in the Diocese of Quebec, where many of our people are spiritually cared for. In the afternoon preached at All Saints' Church, Beebe Plain, and in the evening at Christ Church, Stanstead. Met several of the Canadian clergy and of the Vermont people to whom they minister.

25th. Thursday. ST. JAMES'S DAY. Celebrated the Holy Communion at Stanstead early and gave an address. In the evening held service and preached at St. Augustine's, North Troy, two Canadian clergymen from the Diocese of Montreal assisting the Missionary.

26th. Friday. Celebrated at St. Mark's, Newport, at half-past seven. Conference with representative men of the mission in the afternoon. Confirmed six candidates and preached after Evensong.

27th. Saturday. From Newport to Arlington. Met the Vestry of St. James's parish in the evening.

July 28th. SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Celebrated the Holy Communion at seven. Preached at the mid-day service, the Rector celebrating. Catechized the Sunday School. In the afternoon preached at West Arlington. Confirmed two men and preached at evening service at St. James's.

29th. Monday. Spent some hours at Manchester Centre to consult with the clergyman who has been called to the rectorship of Zion Church. At Rutland, confirmed a candi-

date in the Chapel of Trinity Church, and met some of the parishioners.

30th. Tuesday. Returned home. Removed the name of Richard Edmund Armstrong from the list of candidates for Holy Orders, at his own request.

August 4th. EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Celebrated the Holy Communion in the Chapel of the Institute early, and said Morning Prayer and preached there later, Father Benson, who is staying with me, assisting.

6th Tuesday. TRANSFIGURATION. Celebrated Holy Communion in the Bishop's Chapel. Crossed the Canadian border to attend the Convention of the Sunday School Institute of the Archdeaconry of Bedford, in the Diocese of Montreal. Preached at Evensong in St. James's Church, Bedford.

7th. Wednesday. Celebrated the Holy Communion and gave an address at the opening of the Sunday School Convention in St. James's Church, Stanbridge East. Also made an address at the evening meeting in the Church Hall.

10th. Saturday. Consented to the Rev. Simon Blinn Blunt's resignation of the parish of St. Stephen's, Middlebury.

Aug. 11th. NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Celebrated in the Bishop's Chapel. Said Morning Prayer and Preached at the Chapel of the Institute.

Aug. 18th. TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Celebrated in the Bishop's Chapel. Preached at the mid-day service at St. Paul's. Said Evensong at the Institute.

20th. Tuesday. To Swanton. Confirmed five candidates and preached after Evening Prayer in Holy Trinity Church.

21st. Wednesday. Celebrated the Holy Communion at seven, and later confirmed two more candidates, who were unable to come out in the evening.

Aug. 25th. ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Celebrated in the Bishop's Chapel. Said Morning Prayer and preached at the Institute.

Sept. 1st. TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. At Woodstock. Celebrated and preached at the mid-day service; catechised the Sunday School; confirmed two persons and preached at the evening service.

5th and 6th. Thursday and Friday. Examination of Candidates for Holy Orders at the Bishop's House.

7th. Saturday. To Buck Hollow with Mr. Graves.

September 8th. THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. At Christ Church, Fairfax. Baptized three children, confirmed a woman, preached and celebrated the Holy Communion at morning service. Drove to Fairfield for afternoon service, where I baptized a young man and preached. Mr. Wilkins has been holding service here once a month this summer.

9th. Monday. Celebrated the Holy Communion in Trinity Church, Fairfield, at seven o'clock, before returning to Burlington.

10th. Tuesday. Began the Annual Retreat for the Clergy, which lasted until Friday morning. Thirty were were present, all but three belonging to this Diocese. The addresses were on the Epistles of St. Paul to Timothy.

13th. Friday. Gave Letter Dimissory to the Rev. Simon Blinn Blunt to the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania. (Accepted September 16th.) Received notice of the depo-

sition (August 24th) of Daniel Rollins, Priest, by the Bishop of Massachusetts.

14th. Saturday. Consented to the resignation of St. Paul's Parish, Vergennes, by the Rev. Edmund Banks Smith.

September 15th. FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. At Manchester. Celebrated the Holy Communion early at St. John's; said Morning and Evening Prayer with a sermon at each service. In the evening preached at Zion Church, Manchester Centre, where the new Rector, the Rev. Charles S. Lewis, takes up his work next Sunday.

17th. Tuesday. Celebrated in the Cathedral at Albany, where the next two days I joined in the Embertide Retreat, conducted by the Rev. Prof. Walpole of the General Theological Seminary.

20th. Friday. EVE OF ST. MATTHEW. At Brandon. After Evening Prayer confirmed six persons and preached. Going to the Church I met with an accident, falling and spraining my foot, which confined me to the room for a week, and obliged me to cancel all engagements for the rest of the month.

25th. Wednesday. Licensed the new Church erected by Mrs. Charles Clement at Sherburne for Divine Service until the Consecration can be performed. Accepted the Letter Dimissory of the Rev. Charles Smith Lewis from the Diocese of New York.

28th. Saturday. Gave Letter Dimissory to the Rev. Edmund Banks Smith to the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania. Received notice of the removal from the list of Candidates for Holy Orders of Arthur Vernon Woolworth by the Bishop of Massachusetts.

September 29th. Sunday. MICHAELMAS DAY. Addressed the two Schools at Morning Service in the Chapel of Bishop Hopkins Hall, and met all the pupils during the day. Received notice of the removal of the name of Guy Carleton Lee from the list of candidates for Holy Orders by the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.

October 2nd–22d. In attendance at the sessions of the General Convention in Minneapolis. My accident compelled me to cancel engagements for work outside the duties of the Convention.

10th. Thursday. Gave license to officiate in the Diocese to the Rev. E. K. Wilson of Hereford in the Diocese of Quebec.

October 13th. EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Preached at the High Celebration at All Saints' Church, Minneapolis.

October 20th. NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Celebrated and made an address at the Corporate Communion of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew at St. Mark's Church, Minneapolis. Preached at the High Celebration according to the Swedish Rite at St. Ansgarius'. In the afternoon made an address on the Sacraments at St. Paul's Church, St. Paul.

23d. Wednesday. To Faribault for the night. Addressed the students at Seabury Divinity School.

24th. Thursday. Celebrated the Holy Communion at Seabury Hall.

25th. Friday. At Kenosha, Wisconsin. Began a two days' Retreat for the Sisters of St. Mary at Kemper Hall.

26th. Saturday. Received formal notification of the H. P. leF. Grabau's election to the Rectorship of St.

Paul's, Vergennes, whose Letters Dimissory from the Diocese of Ohio I have accepted.

October 27th. TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Celebrated Holy Communion at Kemper Hall. Addressed the School at Morning Prayer, and concluded the Sisters' Retreat. Illness prevented my going to Winnetka, as I had promised, for the evening.

29th. Tuesday. At the request of Bishop Davies conducted a two days' Retreat for Clergy of the Diocese of Michigan, at Christ Church, Detroit.

31st. Thursday. Concluded the Retreat with the Celebration. Gave Letter Dimissory to the Diocese of New Hampshire to the Rev. James C. Flanders (accepted November 4th). Made an address at the annual banquet of the Church Club of Detroit.

November 1st. Friday. ALL SAINTS' DAY. Assisted the Bishop of the Diocese in the Celebration of the Holy Communion at St. John's Church, Detroit, on the occasion of the unveiling of the memorial to the late Governor Baldwin. In the afternoon addressed Churchwomen, workers in the different parishes of the city, at Christ Church.

November 3rd. TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. At home, but too unwell to officiate. Gave Letter Dimissory to the Diocese of Maryland (accepted November 6th) to the Rev. Colwort K. P. Cogswell, whose resignation of the charge of St. Ann's Mission, Richford, I had accepted. Received notification of the Deposition (May 26th) of Charles H. Baggs, Priest, by the Bishop of Chicago; also of the removal of the following names from the roll of Candidates for Holy Orders: John Mattocks and Charles

M. Kirk, by the Bishop of New York; and Charles Hitchcock by the Bishop of Northern California. Received notification of the resignation of the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Rutland, by the Rev. Charles Martin Niles.

7th. Thursday. Received notification of the election of the Rev. D. A. Bonnar to the Rectorship of St. Stephen's, Middlebury.

November 10th. TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Celebrated in the Bishop's Chapel. Preached to the two Schools in the Chapel at the Hall. Offerings for the suffering Armenians, for whose deliverance from Moslem oppression I have set forth a prayer for use in the Diocese.

11th. Monday. Accepted the Rev. John Anketell's resignation of the cures of Hydeville and Fair Haven.

12th. Tuesday. At Trinity Church, Rutland, officiated at the burial of Mrs. Mary E. Baxter, a devout Churchwoman and a generous benefactor of the parish and of the diocese.

14th. Thursday. Accepted Mr. Levis Oren Jones as a Postulant for the Ministry.

November 17th. TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Officiated in the Chapel of the Institute.

November 24th. SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE ADVENT. Celebrated in the Bishop's Chapel, and officiated at the Hall.

28th. Thursday. THANKSGIVING DAY. Celebrated in the Bishop's Chapel Preached to the Schools in the Chapel of the Institute in the forenoon. Social festivities with the Schools later in the day.

29th. Friday. Presided at a meeting of the Diocesan Missionary Committee.

30th. Saturday. ST. ANDREW'S DAY. Celebrated in the Bishop's Chapel. Accepted Letter Dimissory of the Rev. David Archibald Bonnar from the Diocese of Albany.

December 1st. FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT. Began an eight days' Mission at Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls. Celebrated the Holy Communion early. Preached at midday, the Rector celebrating, and in the evening.

2d—7th. Monday—Saturday. Through the week the services were: Holy Communion, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at seven; Morning Prayer, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at nine; Evening Prayer, daily at four, followed by a Scripture Exposition on the *Life and Ministry of St. John Baptist;* Mission Sermon in the evening. On Monday the evening sermon was in the Opera House.

7th. Saturday. Baptized an adult; confirmed a candidate from Claremont, New Hampshire. Gave Letter Dimissory to the Diocese of New York to the Rev. John Anketell.

December 8th. SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT. Ended the Mission at Bellows Falls, celebrating the Holy Communion, preaching in the forenoon and evening, and catechizing the children in the afternoon.

9th. Monday. Returned to Burlington, stopping at Rutland to confer with Mrs. Clement about her gift of property to the Church of Our Saviour at Sherburne.

10th. Tuesday. Received notification of the Deposition (November 18th) of Nelson Ayers, Priest, by the Bishop of Mississippi. Accepted Letter Dimissory from the Diocese of Milwaukee of the Rev. James Simonds, whom I have appointed to the charge of St. Ann's Mission,

Richford. Sanctioned the resignation of Grace Church, Sheldon, by the Rev. G. A. Wilkins, who will temporarily retain charge of St. John's, Highgate.

12th. Thursday. Received notification of the Deposition (December 1st) of Samuel Erastus Arthur, Priest, by the Bishop of Missouri. Received the testimonial from the Standing Committee recommending Arthur G. Bugbee for reception as a Candidate for the Ministry, and placed his name on the roll of Candidates for Priest's Orders; also the testimonial of the Standing Committee recommending Arthur William Stone for Ordination to the Diaconate.

December 15th. THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT. Celebrated Holy Communion at the Hall early. Preached to the two Schools (before the Christmas vacation) at the Institute in the forenoon. Spent the afternoon and evening at Winooski. Attended the Children's Service, and said a few words of commendation to the children after admirable catechising by the Priest in charge. Preached at Evensong, and afterwards addressed the newly formed chapter of St. Andrew's Brotherhood.

18th. EMBER WEDNESDAY. To Randolph. Preached at afternoon service at Grace Church. Confirmed a candidate in private. Preached at evening service in St. John's, and confirmed two.

19th. Thursday. Made the address at the graduating exercises at the State Normal School at Randolph. Visited the Rev. Dr. Trevett at Bethel.

December 22nd. FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT. At St. Paul's, Burlington, ordained to the Diaconate Arthur William Stone (the first candidate who has been prepared in

my House), the Rev. Dr. Bliss, the Rev. Edward S. Stone, George Y. Bliss, and George B. Johnson being present in the sanctuary. Preached and celebrated Holy Communion.

25th. CHRISTMAS DAY. Celebrated Holy Communion in the Bishop's Chapel early for our neighbours. Preached at the mid-day service at St. Paul's.

27th. Friday. ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST'S DAY. Examination of a candidate for Holy Orders.

28th. Saturday. HOLY INNOCENTS' DAY. To Rutland. Accepted the Letter Dimissory of the Rev. William Parry Thomas, whom I have appointed to the charge of Fair Haven and Hydeville, from the Bishop of St. David's. Met the Vestry of Trinity Church. Present in the evening at the Christmas entertainment of the Sunday School, and addressed the scholars.

December 29th. SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS-DAY. Conducted the services at Trinity Church. Holy Communion at eight, Morning and Evening Prayer with Sermons.

31st. Tuesday. In New York to attend a meeting of a committee of the House of Bishops. Received notification of the deposition (November 28th) of Melvin Hill Dana, Priest, by the Bishop of Albany, and (December 19th) of Alfred L. Moore, Priest, by the Bishop of Ohio.

January 1st, 1896. Wednesday. FEAST OF THE CIRCUMCISION. Celebrated Holy Communion in the Chapel of the Sisters of St. Mary, New York.

3rd. Friday. Conducted a Quiet Day for Women in the Cathedral at Albany. Received notice that the name of John B. Kaloria has been removed from the list of candidates for Holy Orders, by the Bishop of Long Island.

January 5th. SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS. At Cornell University. Conducted the morning service in Sage Chapel. Preached in the evening at St. John's Church, Ithaca.

11th. Saturday. Received formal notification of the suspension of the Rt. Rev. Henry C. Riley, late Bishop of the Valley of Mexico, by the Presiding Bishop. With Dr. Harris held service and preached in the Congregational Church at Johnson; a large congregation, including most of the pupils at the State Normal School. Drove to Hyde Park after service.

January 12th. FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY. With Dr. Harris held service in the morning at the Congregational Church at Hyde Park, the only Church building in the village. Afterwards celebrated Holy Communion with four devout Churchwomen in a private house. Dr. Harris also baptized an adult. In the evening, service in the Congregational Church at Morrisville, all the congregations in the village joining.

13th. Monday. To Hardwick. Held service in the evening in the Methodist Church.

14th. Tuesday. To St. Johnsbury to visit the Missions at North Concord and Lyndonville, which were established last summer. Service at North Concord in the evening, Mr. Appleton and Mr. Alling accompanying me. Preached and confirmed seven candidates. Received notice from the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota that the names of J. M. Frost, Eugene Rucker, Axel J. Lundeburg, had been removed from the list of candidates for Holy Orders.

15th. Wednesday. Celebrated Holy Communion in St. Andrew's Church, St. Johnsbury, and made an address.

Gave my canonical consent to the Consecration of the Rev. William Lewis Burton, Bishop-elect of Lexington. To Lyndonville. Gave an Instruction on Family Life to the women of the Mission in the afternoon. Preached to the general congregation at Evening Prayer at night. Conference with Mr. Cairns from Newport.

16th. Thursday. Celebrated the Holy Sacrament at Lyndonville in the Hall which has been secured for our exclusive use, and fitted up as a Chapel.

18th. Saturday. To Geneva, N. Y., for the Annual Convention of the Church Students' Missionary Association at Hobart College. Presided at the evening service in Trinity Church, and conducted a preparation for Holy Communion.

January 19th. SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY. Celebrated Holy Communion in Trinity Church (of which my predecessor, Bishop Bissell, was Rector for twenty years) early for the students. Preached at the forenoon service the anniversary sermon of the Association. Assisted at the parochial Children's Service in the afternoon. Also at the closing service of the Convention in the Chapel of Hobart College. Preached in Trinity Church in the evening at a union service of the congregations of Trinity Church, St. Philip's (the colored Mission), St. Peter's, and the College.

21st. Tuesday. Visited Fair Haven. Confirmed two persons (of St. James's, Hydeville) at Evening Prayer, and preached.

22nd. Wednesday. Celebrated the Holy Communion in St. Luke's Church, Fair Haven, early. Met several of the Church people at Castleton, and promised them money

to secure the site for a Church. Presided at a meeting of the Diocesan Missionary Committee in Rutland. Afterwards met with the Vestry of Trinity Church.

24th. Friday. Spoke at a mass meeting in the Opera House, Burlington, in aid of the Armenians.

January 26th. THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY. At Christ Church, Montpelier. Celebrated Holy Communion early. Preached at the forenoon and evening services. Confirmed seven candidates. Catechized the Sunday School. In the afternoon addressed a large congregation of men gathered in the Church by the Y. M. C. A., on Marriage.

27th. Monday. To Barre to inspect the new Church building.

28th. Tuesday. Gave my canonical consent to the Consecration of the Rev. Dr. Henry Yates Satterlee, Bishop-elect of Washington. Attended the first annual meeting of the Girls' Friendly Society in St. Paul's Parish, Burlington, and made an address.

30th and 31st. Thursday and Friday. Conducted a Retreat for the Students at the General Theological Seminary, New York.

February 1st. Saturday. Concluded the Retreat at the Seminary with Holy Communion. Went to Rhode Island to make visitations for Bishop Clark. Gave my canonical consent to the Consecration of the Rev. Dr. Joseph Horsfall Johnson, Bishop-elect of Los Angeles. Addressed the Industrial School at St. George's, Central Falls. Confirmed sixteen candidates and preached at Trinity Church, Pawtucket.

February 2nd. FEAST OF THE PURIFICATION AND SEP-

TUAGESIMA SUNDAY. (The second anniversary of my Consecration.) Celebrated Holy Communion early at St. Paul's, Pawtucket. Confirmed eighteen candidates there at the mid day service. Confirmed eleven at the Church of the Good Shepherd in the afternoon, and twelve at St. George's, Central Falls, in the evening. Preached in each Church.

3rd. Monday. At Woonsocket. Examined in the presence of two Presbyters two candidates for Holy Orders. Confirmed thirty-two persons and preached in St. St. James's Church.

4th. Tuesday. In St. James's Church, Woonsocket, acting for the Bishop of the Diocese, I ordained John Elof Boodin to the Diaconate, and Henry Edward Benoit to the Priesthood, the Archdeacon, the Rector of the Parish, and five other Priests assisting. Preached and celebrated the Holy Communion. In the evening preached at Emmanual Church, Manville, and confirmed six candidates.

5th. Wednesday. Confirmed twenty-one and preached at St. John's, Ashton.

6th. Thursday. Attended a meeting of the Clerical Club in Providence, at which Dr. Richards read a very interesting paper on the Ministry. The Bishop of the Diocese, to the great joy of the Clergy, was able to be present. Confirmed ten and preached at Christ Church, Lonsdale.

7th. Friday. Confirmed fourteen in St. John's Church (Zabriskie Memorial) Newport, and preached ; afterwards, confirmed a sick person in private.

8th. Saturday. Attended by several of the Clergy, visited the U. S. Naval Training Station at Newport, at the request of the Chaplain. Confirmed ten lads and ad-

dressed the whole body of apprentices. Afterwards was entertained at breakfast by the officers on board the "Constellation." In the afternoon confirmed six candidates and preached at St. Matthew's, Jamestown.

February 9th. SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY. Celebrated the Holy Communion early at St. George's Church, Newport. Preached and administered Confirmation at Trinity Church in the morning; at Emmanuel Church in the afternoon; and at St. George's in the evening. At Trinity, three candidates; at Emmanuel, fourteen; at St. George's, fourteen.

10th. Monday. Confirmed six and preached at All Saints', Pontiac.

11th. Tuesday. In Emmanuel Church, Boston, officiated, with the Rector, at the Burial of Dr. Richard Manning Hodges. Confirmed nine and preached at St. Philip's, Crompton, R. I.

12th. Wednesday. Celebrated Holy Communion in private for a sick man in Crompton. Administered Confirmation to a sick woman in private. In the evening preached at St. Andrew's, Phoenix, and confirmed five candidates; also, later, two in private at Hope.

13th. Thursday. Celebrated the Holy Communion in St. Philip's, Crompton. In the evening preached and confirmed fifteen at St. Andrew's, Providence.

14th. Friday. Attended a meeting to organize a Sunday School Institute for the Diocese of Rhode Island; and in the evening made an address on Sunday School work in Grace Church, Providence.

February 16th. QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY. Celebrated Holy Communion at St. Stephen's, Providence, early.

Confirmed and preached at Grace Church in the morning; at Christ Church in the afternoon; and at the Church of the Messiah in the evening. There were thirty-four candidates at Grace Church, eighteen at Christ Church, and nineteen at the Church of the Messiah. With these ended my ministrations in the Diocese of Rhode Island.

18th. SHROVE TUESDAY. Celebrated Holy Communion at St. Stephen's Boston. Engaged all day in individual ministrations to persons who were under my care in former years.

19th. ASH WEDNESDAY. Celebrated Holy Communion at St. Stephen's early, and made an Address. Returned to Vermont for Lent. Began a course of sermons on the third division of the Creed, at Trinity Church, Rutland.

20th. Thursday. Celebrated the Holy Communion in the Chapel of Trinity Church, Rutland.

21st. Friday. Began a course of sermons, similar to those in Rutland, on Friday evenings in Lent at St. Paul's, Burlington.

February 23rd. FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT. At Barre. Opened the new Church with special Prayers of Benediction. Confirmed six persons, two of whom Mr. Brown baptized by immersion earlier in the morning at the Baptist Church. Celebrated the Holy Communion, seventy-two communicants, and preached. In the afternoon held a service for the children and catechized them. Preached at Evening Prayer. The Rev. A. D. Brown, to whom the building of the new Church is so largely due, unhappily was too unwell to take any part in the services beyond presenting the candidates for confirmation.

24th. Monday. ST. MATTHIAS' DAY. Celebrated the

Holy Communion at Barre at half-past seven (twenty communicants) with special prayers for Dr. Joseph H. Johnson, consecrated this day Bishop of Los Angeles.

25th. Tuesday. Began a course of Lenten Instructions in the Chapel of Bishop Hopkins Hall, on Some Women of Holy Scripture.

26th. EMBER WEDNESDAY. Preached at Trinity Church, Rutland.

27th. Thursday. Celebrated at Rutland. Received notice of the Deposition (February 24th) of Robert Habersham Barnwell, Priest, by the Bishop of Kentucky. Began Lenten Instructions in the Chapel of the Vermont Episcopal Institute, on Some Characters in the book of Genesis.

28th. EMBER FRIDAY. Preached at St. Paul's, Burlington.

March 1st. SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT. At St. Albans. Preached and celebrated Holy Communion in St. Luke's Church in the forenoon. In the afternoon met the Vestry for conference. At four o'clock, Evening Prayer and catechising. In the evening, Litany, Confirmation (twenty-one candidates) and Sermon.

3rd. Tuesday. Instruction at Bishop Hopkins Hall.

4th. Wednesday. Preached at Trinity Church, Rutland.

5th. Thursday. Celebrated Holy Communion at Rutland. Instruction to the boys at the Institute. Received notice of the removal of the name of Henry Eli Carver from the roll of Candidates for Holy Orders, by the Bishop of New York.

6th. Friday. Preached at St. Paul's, Burlington.

7th. Saturday. To Middlebury. Gave a short address after Evening Prayer at St. Stephen's. Met the Vestry in the evening.

March 8th. THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT. Visitation of St. Stephen's, Middlebury. Celebrated the Holy Communion. Catechised the Sunday School. Preached at Morning and Evening Prayer, and at St. Barnabas', East Middlebury, in the afternoon. Visited two sick persons.

10th. Tuesday. Instruction in the Chapel of Bishop Hopkins Hall.

11th. Wednesday. To Rutland. Visited several sick persons. Preached at Trinity Church in the evening.

12th. Thursday. Celebrated in Trinity Chapel. A heavy snow storm prevented a meeting of the Diocesan Missionary Committee. Instruction at the Boys' School in the evening.

13th. Friday. Preached at St. Paul's, Burlington.

14th. Saturday. To Vergennes. At Evening Prayer baptized a man, the newly elected mayor of the city. Conference with the Vestry.

March 15th. MID-LENT SUNDAY. At St. Paul's, Vergennes. Celebrated the Holy Communion early Preached at the mid-day Celebration; Catechised at Evening Prayer at four o'clock, Confirmed five candidates in the evening and preached.

16th. Monday. Celebrated at Vergennes. Returned to Burlington after Morning Prayer, with a bad headache, which developed into a sharp attack of La Grippe, which kept me in bed for a week.

19th. Thursday. Received notification of the Deposi-

tion from the sacred Ministry of Edwin Stanley Welles, Deacon, by the Bishop of Connecticut.

20th. Friday. Received official notification of the election of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Alex. Garrett to be Bishop of the new Diocese of Dallas, and gave my canonical consent thereto.

26th. Thursday. Received notification of the removal of the name of Walter Cooley Sampson from the roll of Candidates for Holy Orders, by the Bishop of Massachusetts.

March 29th. PALM SUNDAY. I have been obliged on account of illness to cancel engagements and postpone Visitations until after Easter. To-day I was able to celebrate the Holy Eucharist in my own Chapel, and to confirm four pupils in the Chapel of Bishop Hopkins Hall.

31st. TUESDAY BEFORE EASTER. Received notification of the Bishop of New York's acceptance (March 30th) of the Letter Dimissory of the Rev. Charles Martin Niles.

April 1st. WEDNESDAY BEFORE EASTER. Confirmed a candidate from the country prepared and presented by the Rev. Dr. Bliss, in the chapel of St. Paul's Church.

2nd. MAUNDY THURSDAY. Celebrated the Holy Communion in my Chapel. The Rev. G. B. Johnson, my Chaplain, went to assist the Rector at Bennington, as I was unable to be there for Good Friday.

3rd. GOOD FRIDAY. Held service for the vacation families of the Schools in my Chapel at 10 and 5.

April 5th. EASTER DAY. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist in my Chapel for the Rock Point family; twelve communicants.

7th, 8th. Tuesday and Wednesday. Examination of two candidates for Holy Orders.

8th, 9th. Wednesday and Thursday. Conference of Clergy of the Diocese, who met at Rock Point to consider (1) The question of Discipline with regard to the Communicants' List; (2) With regard to Marriage and Divorce; (3) Clerical Stipends. The gathering was extremely interesting and useful. Thirty out of thirty-eight Clergymen of the Diocese (besides the Bishop) were present.

11th. Saturday. I went for a short change to friends at Brookline, Massachusetts, hoping to be well enough to resume active work in the Diocese with the Spring Visitations as planned on April 20th. But under medical advice I was obliged to abandon this plan and cancel appointments for a time. On three Sunday mornings (April 12, 26, May 3) I celebrated the Holy Sacrament privately at Fernwood.

April 19th. SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER. Celebrated the Holy Communion in the Chapel of the Sisters of St. Mary, East 46th Street, New York. In the afternoon delivered one of the Church Club Lectures on "The Hymns of the Eucharist," at the Church of the Transfiguration.

20th. Monday. Received notification of the Deposition (April 13) of Frederick Francis Sherman, Priest, by the Bishop of Rhode Island. Accepted Letter Dimissory of the Rev. Theodore B. Foster (Rector of Trinity Church, Rutland) from the Bishop of Rhode Island.

30th. Thursday. Received notification of the Restoration to the Ministry (April 8th, 1896) by the Bishop of Pittsburgh, of Joseph T. Wright, Priest. (Deposed, June 10th, 1886.)

May 4th. Monday. I returned home, but am prohibited from undertaking active work until the end of the month.

9th. Saturday. Accepted Letter Dimissory of the Rev. Stephen Howard Alling, recently ordained Priest, from the Bishop of Connecticut.

May 10th. ROGATION SUNDAY. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist in my Chapel. Assisted at the mid-day service at the Institute.

14th. ASCENSION DAY. Celebrated in my Chapel. Assisted at the mid-day service at the Institute.

May 17th. SUNDAY AFTER THE ASCENSION. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist in my Chapel. Preached to the Schools at the mid-day service in the Chapel of the Hall—my first sermon, except the Church Club Lecture in New York, since Mid-Lent Sunday.

23rd. WHITSUN-EVE. Received notification of the Deposition (May 20th) of Samuel Richard Fuller, Priest, by the Bishop of Massachusetts.

24th. WHITSUNDAY. Celebrated in my Chapel; preached to the Schools at the Institute.

29th. EMBER FRIDAY. Received notice from the Bishop of Central New York that he had dropped the following names from the list of candidates for Holy Orders: Robert Westlake Bowman, DeLancey Burdette Hamblin, George Ward Bushnell.

May 31st. TRINITY SUNDAY. Celebrated the Holy Eucharist in my Chapel. At mid-day confirmed thirty-six candidates at St. Paul's, Burlington, and preached, the Rector celebrating. Received notice of the Deposition from the Ministry (May 27th) of Thomas B. Barker by the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania.

5th. Wednesday. Drove to Milton. Confirmed twelve persons at Trinity Church, and preached.

June 7th. FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Celebrated Holy Communion in my Chapel. Preached to the Schools at the Hall at the forenoon service—the last Sunday of the School year.

9th. Tuesday. Presided at the closing service, at the end of the school year, at the Vermont Episcopal Institute, the Rev. C. W. McCully giving the address. Struck the name of Henry Closson Gilbert from the list of candidates for Holy Orders, for causes not affecting his moral character; and declared David Willard (of whose reception by Bp. Bissell there is no record) to be no longer a Postulant.

11th. Thursday. ST. BARNABAS' DAY. Celebrated the Holy Communion early in the Chapel of Bishop Hopkins Hall. Officiated at the closing service of the School, the Rev. Dr. Bliss giving the address; and afterwards distributed the prizes. Presided at meetings of the Executive Committee of the Trustees of the Vermont Episcopal Institute and of the Missionary Committee.

June 14th. SECOND SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY. Celebrated the Holy Communion in my Chapel, which during the vacation serves for all the Rock Point family. In the forenoon confirmed fifteen candidates at Trinity Church, Winooski, and preached, the Priest in charge celebrating.

16th. Tuesday. To Middlebury for the Diocesan Convention. Presided at meetings of the Trustees of the Vermont Episcopal Institute, the Board of Land Agents, and the Missionary Committee.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Barre (2)	9
St. Michael's, Brattleboro	1
St. Peter's, Bennington	2
Grace Church, West Rutland	2
Christ Church, Island Pond	8
St. Mark's, Newport	6
St. James's, Arlington	-
Trinity Church, Rutland	1
Holy Trinity Church Swanton	
St. James's, Woodstock	
Christ Church, Fairfax	
St. Thomas's, Brandon	6
Emmanuel Church, Bellows Falls	1
St. John's, Randolph	3
St. John Baptist's, North Concord	
St. Luke's, Fair Haven	2
Christ Church, Montpelier	17
St. Luke's, St. Albans	21
St. Paul's, Vergennes	5
Bishop Hopkins Hall	4
St. Paul's, Burlington (2)	37
Trinity Church, Milton	12
Trinity Church, Winooski	15
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[APPENDIX C.]

Report of the Standing Committee.

The Standing Committee respectfully report the following acts during the past year:

July 19, 1895, the Committee met for organization in Christ Church, Montpelier, and elected the Rev. J. Isham Bliss, D. D., President, and the Rev. A. B. Flanders, D. D., Secretary.

December 13, 1895, the Committee met at St. Paul's Rectory, Burlington, and signed the testimonials of Arthur G. Bugbee, recommending him to the Bishop as a Candidate for Holy Orders. Signed the testimonials of Arthur W. Stone, recommending him to the Bishop for ordination to the Diaconate. Gave consent to the consecration of the Rev. Lewis William Burton, A. M., Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Lexington, Kentucky. Also gave consent to the consecration of the Rev. Gershom Mott Williams, M. A., Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Marguette, Michigan. This consent was afterwards withheld at the request of the Bishop-elect, until certain matters pertaining to his election were satisfactorily settled.

January 14, 1896, the Committee met at St. Paul's Rectory, Burlington, and gave consent to the consecration of the Rev. Henry Yates Satterlee, D. D., Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Washington, D. C.

April 8, 1896, the Committee met at St. Paul's Rectory, Burlington, and forwarded its consent to the consecration of the Rev. Gershom Mott Williams, M. A., Bishop-elect

of the Diocese of Marquette, Michigan. Also concurred in the election of the Rt. Rev. Alexander C. Garrett, D. D., L.L. D., Bishop of Northern Texas, to the Diocese of Dallas, Texas.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. FLANDERS,

Secretary.

[APPENDIX D.]

Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1895.

June 19. Amount of fund, $14,190 98

RECEIPTS.

St. John's, Randolph,	$ 1 31	
Holy Trinity, Swanton,	5 71	
St. Paul's, Burlington,	65 87	
Trinity, Rutland,	11 67	
Calvary, East Berkshire,	1 80	
Union, Montgomery,	1 10	
Immanuel, Bellows Falls,	8 16	
St. Peter's, Bennington,	4 94	
St. Paul's, Vergennes,	4 00	
St. James's, Woodstock,	5 00	
Holy Apostles, Cambridge Cen.,	86	
Calvary, Jericho,	1 50	
Emmanuel, Georgia,	1 00	
St. Paul's, Windsor,	10 00	
St. Luke's, St. Albans,	6 37	
St. Michael's, Brattleboro,	5 00	
St. Mark's, Newport,	1 11	
Trinity, Milton,	1 00	
Christ, Fairfax,	3 00	
Holy Cross, Cambridge Boro,	50	
St. Mary's, Northfield,	2 00	
St. Thomas's, Brandon,	1 81	
		$ 143 71
Interest on investments,		768 67
		$15,103 36

DISBURSEMENTS.

	Rev. Lewis McDonald,	40 71	
	Accrued interest,	16 16	
	Postage,	60	
			$57 47
1896.			
June 17.	Amount of fund,		$15,045 89

INVESTMENTS.

Loans on real estate,		13,500 00
Bonds,		
Clark Co., Illinois,		79 00
Notes,		
St. James's Parish, Woodstock,		20 00
On deposit in Ottauquechee Savings Bank,		$ 1,446 89
		$15,045 89

CHARLES F. CHAPMAN,
Treasurer.

MIDDLEBURY, VT., June 17, 1896.

We, the undersigned, having verified the above report of Charles F. Chapman, Treasurer of the Aged and Infirm Clergy Fund of the Diocese of Vermont, find the same correct, and the securities as stated in said report.

GEO. R. BOTTUM,
JAMES B. JONES,
DANIEL W. ROBINSON,
} *Auditors of Trust Funds of the Diocese of Vermont.*

[APPENDIX E.]

Alonzo Jackman Fund.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1895.			
June 19.	Amount of fund,		$3,220 60
	RECEIPTS.		
	Interest on investments,		179 57
			$3,400 17
	DISBURSEMENTS,		
	Helen S. Hutchins,	$50.00	
	Postage,	10	
			$50 10
1896.			
June 17.	Amount of fund,		$3,350 07
	INVESTMENTS.		
	Loans on real estate,	2,582 50	
	On deposit in Ottauquechee Savings Bank,	767 57	
			$3,350 07

CHARLES F. CHAPMAN,
Treasurer.

MIDDLEBURY, VT., June 17th, 1896.

We, the undersigned, having verified the above report of Charles F. Chapman, Treasurer of the Alonzo Jackman Fund for Widows and Orphans of Clergymen of the Diocese of Vermont, find the same correct and the securities as stated in said report.

GEORGE R. BOTTUM,
JAMES B. JONES,
DANIEL W. ROBINSON,
} *Auditors of Trust Funds of the Diocese of Vermont.*

[APPENDIX F.]

Episcopal Fund.

Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees for the Year Ending June 18th, 1896.

To the Trustees of the Fund for the support of the Bishop of the Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Vermont:

GENTLEMEN: I herewith sbumit my annual report, as your Treasurer.

PRINCIPAL FUND.

Balance, same as at last report,	$36,067 53

INVESTMENTS OF PRINCIPAL FUND.

100 shares stock, Rennselaer & Saratoga R. R., par value, $10,000, market value $18,000, rate 8 per cent., inventoried at cost, 1.40,	$14,000 00
1 First Mortgage, 7 per cent. bond of the Delaware & Hudson Canal Co., due 1917, cost 1.28, inventoried at par,	5,000 00
First mortgage real estate note, 7 per cent. semi-annually. Lot 5, Block 3, Omaha, Neb. Insurance $5,200.	5,000 00
First mortgage real estate note, 6 per cent., semi-annually. 160 acres Crawford County, Ia. Insurance $500,	2,000 00
First mortgage real estate note, 6 per cent., semi-annually. 80 acres Crawford County, Ia.,	900 00
First mortgage note secured on house and lot, Burlington, Vt., valued $6,000. Insurance $5,500,	3,000 00

First mortgage note secured on house and lot, Burlington, Vt., valued $4,000. Insurance $3,600.	$ 2,500 00
Collateral note 6 per cent., semi-annually. First mortgage, real estate loan $2,200. Brooklyn, N. Y.,	1,600 00
Saint Luke's Parish, St. Albans, Vt.,	1,200 00
Cash on deposit, Burlington Savings Bank, on call, 4½ per cent., semi-annually,	867 53
	$36,067 53

INCOME ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Interest collected,	$2,216 50

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid to E. L. Temple, Treasurer,	$2,216 50

HENRY L. WARD,
Treasurer.

Examined and found correct.

F. C. KENNEDY,
Auditor of the Board.

We have audited the foregoing account of Henry L. Ward, Treasurer of the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, and find it correct. We have examined the securities held by said fund and they agree with the report.

GEORGE R. BOTTUM,
JAMES B. JONES,
DANIEL W. ROBINSON,
Auditors of Trust Funds.

[APPENDIX G.]

Report of the Missionary Committee.

The Committee met shortly after the Diocesan Convention, and organized by the election of the Rev. B. W. Atwell as Secretary.

In December the Committee elected the Rev. D. L. Sanford to take the place vacated by the Rev. C. M. Niles on his leaving the diocese.

The Committee has held seven meetings during the year, the Bishop being present at all but two of them.

The Convention authorized the Committee to make such apportionments for the year as were necessary for the maintenance of the previous year's appropriations, and for such new work as was outlined in the Committee's report. Acting upon this we made an increase of about 25 per cent. in the apportionments for the different parishes and missions. The contributions have fallen short of the sum thus calculated by $512.82, leaving a deficit, after receipts from all sources, of $526.99, in addition to a temporary loan to the Building Fund of Barre of $113.75. We have only been able to pay the missionary stipends as they became due by temporarity drawing on the Bishop's Visitation Fund, and by the aid of other offerings entrusted to the Bishop, which should have been reserved for special purposes, still leaving the missionary treasury in debt to the treasurer personally.

Among such contributions entrusted to the Bishop, in addition to those coming under the regular income of the Committee, is a sum of $500.00 sent by Dr. W. Seward Webb to the Bishop specially for places where no regular ministrations of the Church are established.

A few parishes and missions have during the year paid off the whole or part of their deficiency in past years. The Committee commend this example for imitation, wherever it be possible, in other places. It is manifestly unjust that by a conspicuous failure to contribute its quota, perhaps on the part of a fairly prosperous parish, or on the part of a mission which receives large help from the board, a disproportionate burden should be thrown on other cures.

The Committee recognize the difficulty of fairly and equally adjusting the apportionments to the relative strength and ability of different parishes. They can only hope that our people will increasingly feel their contributions to the maintenance and spread of the Church's influence within our State (as well as beyond its borders) to be a privilege and an opportunity offered, rather than a tax imposed. Then we feel sure that our calculations, however unavoidably inaccurate in this or that particular case, will not be generally or seriously at fault.

During the year our total receipts have amounted to $5,229.13 a larger sum than in any previous year. We have expended $6,039.80 in stipends, this also being a larger sum than in any previous year. Appropriations have been made varying from $50 a year to $500 (in one case), to 20 clergymen, beside the Diocesan, Missionary, ministering in 32 different places. The work has been carried on continuously, there being practically no gaps of service for which missionary grants have been given.

At the suggestion of the Bishop the Committee in December adopted the following resolution:

That each congregation receiving aid from the Diocesan Missionary Committee be required, on the first day of each month, to send, through its treasurer, the local contribution towards the stipend of the clergyman, to the Treasurer of the Missionary Committee, who will pay this amount, along with the committee's grant, direct to the clergyman."

This rule and its advantages were explained by the Bishop in a Pastoral Letter issued in Advent. The rule, which was confessedly something of an experiment, has worked exceedingly well. Under it over $1,900 of local contributions have passed through the treasurer's hands since the beginning of the civil year. The effect has been in some cases to make the payment of clerical stipends more regular and prompt, and in a few cases to disclose irregularity, which with this knowledge may be remedied, or at least guarded against in any fresh arrangement made for that cure.

The Committee have seconded the Bishop's effort to combine some mission stations with strong parishes, by giving grants to a Deacon ministering under the Rector of St. Johnsbury at Lyndonville and North Concord (where until this last year we had no regular ministrations), and to another ministering under the Rector of Trinity Church, Rutland, at West Rutland, with the care also of Wallingford and Proctor. In a similar way a grant has been given to a Deacon ministering under Mr. Graves in some of the numerous stations under his care, at Cambridge and Jericho.

The generous contribution of a Burlington layman, through the Bishop, has made it possible to maintain Winooski as a separate Mission (with some care for, if not of, Fort Ethan Allen and Essex Junction) instead of being dependent on the Assistant of St. Paul's, Burlington. The Mission at Olcott has been organized this year in connection with that at White River Junction.

The most marked event of the year has been the building and opening of the new Church at Barre, which was rendered possible by contributions received by the Bishop

in answer to his second appeal put forth in December. This sum at present amounting to $1,824, mostly given by persons outside the Diocese, in addition to the $6,000 raised, chiefly in the Diocese, in response to the Bishop's first appeal a year before, has enabled the Committee to sanction the prosecution of the work, not leaving the Mission burdened with a heavier debt than it can reasonably carry. Would that we knew where to look for similar help for Lyndonville, another growing and active village, where the Church ought to be properly represented, and where we feel sure with a suitable building many (some of them her own lapsed children) would be attracted to her services.

The Diocesan Missionary will make his own report of his constant ministrations to our scattered Church folk, and at the same time to many others, in all parts of the State.

The Committee earnestly commend to the parochial clergy the importance of ministrations and missionary work in the neighbourhood of their more immediate cures, supplementing the work of the Diocesan Missionary. With about 200 towns in the State without regular ministrations of the Church, this work will for a long time be needed.

In connection with the Diocesan Missionary, the Committee desires to record its gratitude for the legacy of $7,500 bequeathed by Mrs. Mary E. Baxter of Rutland, towards the endowment of this most necessary work. By Mrs. Baxter's death the Diocese of Vermont, as well as the Church at large, has lost a hearty and generous contributor to many good works. May others follow her example in the realization of responsibility for the use of wealth, and in the desire to spread to others the faith and the privileges of the Church which we value for ourselves.

The following list of Apportionments and Appropriations for Diocesan Missions has been made by the Missionary Committee for the year 1896 and 1897 :

PARISHES AND MISSIONS.	Apportionments.	Appropriations.
Arlington, St. James's	$ 75 00	
Averill, Mission		$100 00
Barre, Church of the Good Shepherd	30 00	300 00
Bellows Falls, Immanuel Church	200 00	
Bethel, Christ Church	25 00	
Royalton, St. Paul's	15 00	
Bennington, St. Peter's	135 00	
Brandon, St. Thomas's	55 00	
Forestdale, Grace Church	5 00	100 00
Brattleboro, St. Michael's	100 00	
Guilford, Christ Church	10 00	
Burlington, St. Paul's	625 00	
Cambridge Boro, Holy Cross	5 00	
Jericho, Calvary Church	15 00	
Georgia, Emmanuel Church	13 00	425 00
Milton, Trinity Church	20 00	
Fair Haven, St. Luke's	50 00	
Hydeville, St. James's	10 00	300 00
Castleton, St. Faith's	5 00	
Chester, St. Luke's	25 00	
Proctorsville, Gethsemane Church	10 00	200 00
East Berkshire, Calvary Church	30 00	
Montgomery, Union Church	20 00	
Middlebury, St. Stephen's	55 00	
East Middlebury, St. Barnabas's	5 00	100 00
Enosburgh, Christ Church	30 00	100 00
Enosburgh Falls, St. Matthew's	50 00	
* Fairfax, Christ Church	20 00	
* Fairfield, Trinity Church		200 00
* Sheldon, Grace Church	10 00	
Island Pond, Christ Church	50 00	300 00
Manchester, St. John's	20 00	
Manchester Centre, Zion Church	60 00	
Montpelier, Christ Church	200 00	
Newport, St. Mark's	25 00	
* North Troy, St. Augustine's	5 00	250 00
Northfield, St. Mary's	45 00	
Poultney, St John's	75 00	
Wells, St. Paul's	5 00	50 00
Randolph Centre, Grace Church	25 00	175 00
Randolph, St. John's	30 00	

Continued.

PARISHES AND MISSIONS.	Apportionments.	Appropriations.
Richford, St. Ann's	$ 12 00	$150 00
Rutland, Trinity Church	400 00	
Shelburne, Trinity Church	135 00	
Springfield, St. Mark's	5 00	
St. Albans, St. Luke's	200 00	
St. Johnsbury, St. Andrew's	75 00	
* Lyndonville, St. Peter's; and No. Concord	5 00	350 00
Swanton, Holy Trinity Church	30 00	100 00
* Highgate, St. John's	15 00	100 00
Vergennes, St. Paul's	80 00	
West Rutland, Grace Church; with Proctor and Wallingford	40 00	300 00
White River Junction, St. Paul's	35 00	300 00
* Olcott, St. Peter's	5 00	
Windsor, St. Paul's	60 00	
Winooski, Trinity Church	25 00	150 00
Woodstock, St. James's	60 00	
Diocesan Missionary		1,600 00
Total	$3,365 00	$5,650 00

The difference between the appropriations and apportionments is met by receipts from other sources, such as the Land Agents, the Trustees of Donations and the Woman's Auxiliary.

Collections for Diocesan Missions are ordered by Canon in the months of February, May, August and November.

These appropriations are all made on condition of the observance of the following rule:

"Each congregation receiving aid from the Diocesan Missionary Committee is required, on the first day of each month, unless some other arrangement is sanctioned, to send, through its treasurer, the local contribution towards the stipend of the clergyman, to the Treasurer of the Missionary Committee, who will pay this amount, monthly or quarterly, along with the Committee's grant, direct to the clergyman.

B. W. ATWELL,
Secretary.

*The amount of this grant is at the discretion of the Bishop.

[APPENDIX H.]

Diocesan Missions.

RECEIPTS.

Apportionments.			
	Balance from last report,		$169 93
$75.	Arlington, St. James',	$75 00	
25.	Barre, Good Shepherd,	28 00	
200.	Bellows Falls, Immanuel,	58 32	
25.	Bethel, Christ,	25 00	
120.	Bennington, St. Peter's,	91 00	
55.	Brandon, St. Thomas',	26 60	
100.	Brattleboro, St. Michael's,	60 00	
625.	Burlington, St. Paul's,	654 98	
10.	Cambridge Boro, Holy Cross,	1 60	
6.	Cambridge Centre, Holy Apostles,	2 50	
5.	Castleton, St. Faith's,	3 75	
40.	Chester, St. Luke's,	9 22	
30.	East Berkshire, Calvary,	15 00	
5.	East Middlebury, St. Barnabas,		
30.	Enosburgh, Christ,	10 23	
50.	Enosburgh Falls, St. Matthews,	26 87	
20.	Fairfax, Christ,	20 00	
50.	Fair Haven, St. Luke's,	37.50	
5.	Forestdale, Grace,		
13.	Georgia, Emmanuel,	13 00	
10.	Guilford, Christ,	10 00	
15.	Highgate, St. John's,	2 60	
10.	Hydeville, St. James',	10 00	
40.	Island Pond, Christ,	30 00	
13.	Jericho, Calvary,	13 00	
	Lyndonville and N. Concord,	4 15	

$10.	Manchester, St. John's,	$20 04
50.	Manchester Centre, Zion,	50.00
65.	Middlebury, St. Stephen's,	47 90
20.	Milton, Trinity,	20 01
20.	Montgomery, Union,	15 00
200.	Montpelier, Christ,	168 71
25.	Newport, St. Mark's,	12 70
44.	Northfield, St. Mary's,	36 15
10.	North Troy, St. Augustine's,	5 00
75.	Poultney, St. John's,	75 55
13.	Proctorsville, Gethsemane,	7 07
25.	Randolph Centre, Grace,	19 00
30.	Randolph, St. John's,	30 00
10.	Richford, St. Ann's,	10 00
15.	Royalton, St. Paul's,	15 00
500.	Rutland, Trinity,	140 50
13.	Sheldon, Grace,	1 90
125.	Shelburne, Trinity,	63 00
5.	Springfield, St. Mark's,	5 00
200.	St. Albans, St. Luke's,	75 37
75.	St. Johnsbury, St. Andrew's,	75 01
30.	Swanton, Holy Trinity,	19 16
75.	Vergennes, St. Paul's,	75 00
5.	Wells, St. Paul's,	5 00
35.	West Rutland, Grace,	42 00
35.	White River Junction, St. Paul's,	35 00
60.	Windsor, St. Paul's,	60 00
20.	Winooski, Trinity,	16 50
50.	Woodstock, St. James',	43 55
$3,417.		

Board of Land Agents,	$820 00	
Trustees of the Diocese,	399 76	
Woman's Auxiliary,	675 00	
J. C. Batcheller,	10 00	
[Arrears of 1894–5.]		
Bellows Falls, Immanuel,	68 29	
Brandon, St. Thomas',	5 00	
Cambridge Centre, Holy Apostles,	1 00	
Middlebury, St. Stephen's,	15 00	
		$4581 42
Balance due Treasurer,		70 88
		$4,652 30

PAYMENTS.

Stipends to Missionaries, viz:

Station at Averill,	9	Months,	$ 75 00
Barre,	9		225 00
East Middlebury,	7¼		63 50
Enosburgh,	9		75 00
Fairfax, etc.,	9		318 75
Fair Haven, etc.,	11		275 00
Forestdale,	9		75 00
Highgate,	9		100 00
Island Pond,	7½		197 00
Jericho, etc.,	9		375 00
Lyndonville, etc.,	8¼		242 30
Newport, etc.,	10		250 00
Proctorsville,	9		150 00
Randolph,	9		131 25
Richford,	9		112 50
Sheldon,	3⅓		29 00
Swanton,	12		175 00
Wells,	9		37 50

Station at W. Rutland, etc.,	2 Months	$ 50 00
White R. Junction,	11	275 00
Winooski,	8½	106 75
Diocesan Missionary,	9	1,200 00
Temporary loan to complete purchase of Barre property,		113 75
		$4,652 30

EDWARD L. TEMPLE,
Treasurer.

Rutland, Vt., May 1st, 1896.

The undersigned hereby certify that we have examined the above account of the Treasurer of the Diocese, and find the same to be correct and sustained by proper vouchers.

JOHN N. WOODFIN,
FRED W. CHILDS,
SPENCER W. HINDES,
} *Committee on Finance.*

Middlebury, Vt., June 17, 1896.

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PASTORAL LETTER FROM THE BISHOP.

TO BE READ IN ALL THE CONGREGATIONS ON SOME SUNDAY IN DECEMBER.

Brethren :

There are some matters about which I desire to address to you a few words. I am glad of the opportunity at this fresh beginning of the Christian Year to send you an affectionate greeting, with my earnest wishes for an abundant blessing at the great Christmas Festival and throughout the New Year. May 1896 see in all of us a growth in the knowledge and love of all good things, and of Him from Whom they all come and to Whom they should all lead us. In His service let us seek to make some advance, and to do some thing more for the setting up of His kingdom, of truth and love and purity, within us and around us.

1. I wish to communicate to you a resolution of the Missionary Committee of the Diocese, which, with your co-operation, will I trust prove distinctly helpful. We have resolved

"*That each congregation receiving aid from the Diocesan Missionary Committee be required, on the first day of each month, to send, through its treasurer, the local contribution towards the stipend of the clergyman, to the Treasurer of the Missionary Committee, who will pay this amount, along with the Committee's grant, direct to the clergyman.*"

This rule, which will come into operation on January 1, 1896, will I hope make more regular and business-like the financial affairs of our missions and dependent parishes, and free the clergyman from the grievous indignity to which he is sometimes subjected of having to ask repeatedly for his stipend, and then receive it only in driblets. The slight extra trouble to local treasurers involved by the arrangement will be amply compensated for by the gain in regularity and in self-respect on the part of both mission and missionary.*

If local contributions are not regularly paid, of course a mission cannot expect a continuance of diocesan grants. Difficulties or differences in the mission are not to be remedied by a withholding of offerings, but by a frank statement of the trouble to the Bishop. This plan, which with experience we shall be able to perfect and enlarge, may I trust ultimately lead to the establishment of a Common Fund, out of which all our missionaries may be paid a fixed stipend, rising perhaps with length of service in the diocese. We shall then be able to place the best men at difficult posts, and to keep them there.

2. There is another rule concerning local finances which I desire to recommend for adoption in all our congregations, whether parishes or missions: *that every collection made in Church be counted in the vestry at the close of the service by two persons, and the amount entered at the time in a register to be kept in the vestry, the entry being certified by the signature of the two persons.* This rule would not only prevent any error arising from carelessness (such as in some cases has led to considerable trouble and loss), but also would be a safeguard and protection to every one con-

*The Diocesan Treasurer is Mr. Edward L. Temple, Rutland.

cerned against suspicion or misrepresentation, which are not altogether unknown. The Communion Alms are by Canon reserved to the clergyman's disposal, but he could have no objection to the amount entrusted to him being known and recorded.

The observance of this rule, which all will recognize as business-like, will, I am sure, save much, while it will cost but little trouble. Where it is so desired the Wardens can appoint some one to count the offerings along with the Treasurer, or the clergyman can call upon some one to assist him. The amount in most of our congregations is not often very large. And women can count as well as men.*

3. I spoke at some length and detail of other financial matters in my address at the last Diocesan Convention, and I would refer to pp. 31-34 of the Convention Journal for 1895, (which I hope has been distributed in all our parishes and missions), only reminding you that our Canons require a quarterly collection in all our Churches for Diocesan Missions, in the months of February, May, August, and November;† and that in addition to these there ought to be in every Church, at least once in each year, an offering for Foreign Missions and and one for Domestic Missions.

The Diocesan Convention in June authorized the Missionary Committee to make appropriations on a larger scale than before, involving an increase of *25 per cent.* in the

*Pledged payments in envelopes should be counted as well as loose coin. Any confidential arrangement can be maintained by the envelopes having numbers instead of names.

†It is important that these collections should be made at the appointed times and promptly remitted to the Diocesan Treasurer, in order that the stipends to the Clergy may be punctually paid.

contributions from our congregations. During the first quarter these were generally paid. I beg of you to uphold our hands in the work of the diocese, and also to give generously to the cause of our Lord and His kingdom outside our own borders.

Commending these matters to your careful consideration, and you to the blessing of Almighty God,

I am very faithfully yours in our Lord,

ARTHUR C. A. HALL
Bishop of Vermont.

BURLINGTON, VT., Advent, 1895.

[APPENDIX I.]

Visitation Offerings.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last report,	$ 437 17
Bennington, St. Peter's,	17 64
Brandon, St. Thomas',	4 17
Burlington, St. Paul's,	80 08
Fairfax, Christ,	6 27
Island Pond, Christ,	7 14
Manchester, St. John's,	13 78
Manchester Centre, Zion,	4 81
Middlebury, St. Stephen's,	4 08
Milton, Trinity,	2 60
Montpelier, Christ,	21 25
Newport, St. Mark's,	4 32
North Troy, St. Augustine's,	2 75
St. Albans, St. Luke's,	8 47
Swanton, Holy Trinity,	3 15
Vergennes, St. Paul's,	7 00
Randolph, St. John's,	3 36
Woodstock, St. James',	28 00
	$656 04

PAYMENTS.

On the orders of the Bishop,	$126 89
Balance on hand,	529 15
	$656 04

EDWARD L. TEMPLE,
Treasurer.

Rutland, Vt., May 1st, 1896.

The undersigned hereby certify that we have examined the above account of the Treasurer of the Diocese, and find the same to be correct and sustained by the proper vouchers.

JOHN N. WOODFIN,
FRED W. CHILDS,
SPENCER W. HINDES,
} *Committee on Finance.*

Middlebury, Vt., June 17th, 1896.

[APPENDIX J.]

General Missions.

RECEIPTS.

Brandon, St. Thomas',	10 47
Burlington, St. Paul's,	5 00
Cambridge Boro, Holy Cross,	59
Cambridge Centre, Holy Apostles,	2 25
Enosburgh, Christ,	82
Enosburgh Falls, St. Matthew's,	1 38
Fairfax, Christ,	1 21
Georgia, Emmanuel,	1 15
Jericho, Calvary,	2 81
Manchester Centre, Zion,	11 08
Middlebury, St. Stephen's,	7 87
Milton, Trinity,	1 00
Montpelier, Christ,	38 10
Newport, St. Mark's,	1 44
Northfield, St. Mary's,	24 28
Poultney, St. John's,	14 08
Randolph Centre, Grace,	6 13
Rutland, Trinity,	49 28
Sheldon, Grace,	3 00
Vergennes, St. Paul's,	14 85
Randolph, St. John's,	15 61
Windsor, St. Paul's,	42 50
	$254 90

PAYMENTS,

To General Board of Missions, New York, $254 90

EDWARD L. TEMPLE,
Treasurer.

Rutland, Vt., June 17th, 1896.

MIDDLEBURY, VT. June 17th, 1896.

The undersigned hereby certify that they have examined the above account of the Treasurer of the Diocese and find the same to be correct and sustained by the proper vouchers.

JOHN N. WOODFIN,
FRED W. CHILDS,
SPENCER W. HINDES,
} *Committee on Finance.*

[APPENDIX K.]

Bishop's Salary.

PAROCHIAL ASSESSMENTS PAID.

Bellows Falls, Immanuel,	$50 00
" " " (arrears)	50 00
Bethel, Christ,	5 00
Bennington, St. Peter's,	20 00
Brandon, St. Thomas',	10 00
Brattleboro, St. Michael's,	15 00
Chester, St. Luke's,	10 00
East Berkshire, Calvary,	5 00
Enosburgh Falls, St. Matthew's,	5 00
Guilford, Christ,	2 00
Hydeville, St. James',	4 00
Middlebury, St. Stephen's,	5 00
Montgomery, Union,	4 00
Poultney, St. John's,	5 00
" " (arrears),	5 00
Randolph Centre, Grace,	5 00
Royalton, St. Paul's,	3 00
St. Johnsbury, St. Andrew's,	12 00
Wells, St. Paul's,	2 00
Randolph, St. John's,	5 00
" " (arrears),	10 00
West Rutland, Grace,	3 00
Woodstock, St. James's,	15 00
	$250 00

Unpaid assessments—none.

RECEIPTS.

From H. L. Ward, Treasurer Episcopal Fund,	$2,216 50
From assessments on parishes, as above,	250 00
Balance due Treasurer [accrued interest, not due, $775 00],	592 01
	$3,058 51

PAYMENTS.

Balance due Treasurer from last report,	$ 308 00
Salary for 11 months, from June 1, 1895, to May 1, 1896,	2,750 00
	$3,058 50

EDWARD L. TEMPLE,

Treasurer.

Rutland, Vt., May 1, 1896.

MIDDLEBURY, VT., June 17, 1896.

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JOHN W. WOODFIN,
FRED W. CHILDS,
SPENCER W. HINDES,
} *Committee on Finance.*

[APPENDIX L.]

Convention Expenses.

RECEIPTS.

Arlington, St. James',	$	30 00
Barre, Good Shepherd,		6 00
Bellows Falls, Immanuel, (arrears)		67 50
Bethel, Christ,		12 00
Bennington, St. Peter's,		42 00
Brandon, St. Thomas',		24 00
Brattleboro, St. Michael's,		37 50
Burlington, St. Paul's,		140 00
Chester, St. Luke's,		18 00
Enosburgh, Christ,		4 50
Enosburgh Falls, St. Matthew's,		15 00
Fairfax, Christ,		4 50
Fair Haven, St. Luke's,		10 00
Hydeville, St. James',		5 00
Island Pond, Christ,		9 00
Manchester Centre, Zion,		21 00
Middlebury, St. Stephen's,		35 00
Montgomery, Union,		6 00
Montpelier, Christ,		75 00
Northfield, St. Mary's,		15 00
North Troy, St. Augustine's,		5 00
Poultney, St. John's,		30 00
Randolph Centre, Grace,		6 00
Royalton, St. Paul's,		5 00
Rutland, Trinity,		125 00
Sheldon, Grace,		5 00
Shelburne, Trinity,		15 00

St. Albans, St. Luke's,	$100 00
St. Johnsbury, St. Andrew's,	42 00
Swanton, Holy Trinity,	6 00
Vergennes, St. Paul's,	24 00
Randolph, St. John's,	10 00
White River Junction, St. Paul's,	9 00
Windsor, St. Paul's,	15 00
Winooski, Trinity,	5 00
Woodstock, St. James',	15 00
	$994 00

PAYMENTS.

Balance from last report,	$ 1 37
Printing and distributing Journal,	396 14
Expenses of Clerical Deputies to General Convention,	175 00
Assessments for expenses of General Convention,	111 00
Printing Bishop's address, Parochial reports, etc.,	54 35
Expenses of Missionary Committee,	38 33
Expenses of Standing Committee,	12 85
Postage and printing,	23 14
Mileage of Clergy at Convention of 1896,	113 85
Balance on hand,	67 97
	$994 00

UNPAID ASSESSMENTS.

Bellows Falls, Immanuel, 1895,	$67 00
Newport, St. Mark's, 1894 and 1895,	12 00
Northfield, St. Mary's, 1892,	15 00
Richford, St. Ann's, 1894 and 1895,	9 00

EDWARD L. TEMPLE,

Treasurer.

Rutland, Vt., May 1, 1896.

The undersigned hereby certify that we have examined the above account of the Treasurer of the Diocese, and find the same to be correct and sustained by proper vouchers.

JOHN N. WOODFIN,
FRED W. CHILDS,
SPENCER W. HINDES. } *Committee on Finance.*

Middlebury, Vt., June 17, 1896.

[APPENDIX M.]

Appropriations by the Board of Land Agents.

JUNE, 1896.*

Arlington, St. James's,	$ 46 00
Brandon, St. Thomas's,	100 00
Barre, Mission of the Good Shepherd,	100 00
Berkshire, East, Calvary Church,	50 00
Bethel, Christ Church, Royalton, St. Paul's,	120 00
Castleton, Mission,	50 00
Chester, St. Luke's,	75 00
Enosburgh, Christ Church,	95 00
Enosburgh Falls, St. Matthew's,	95 00
Fairfax, Christ Church,	70 00
Fair Haven, St. Luke's,	50 00
Georgia, Emmanuel Church,	70 00
Guilford, Christ Church,	50 00
Hydeville, St. James's,	50 00
Highgate, St. John's,	90 00
Sheldon, Grace Church,	90 00
Island Pond, Christ Church,	95 00
Manchester Centre, Zion Church,	75 00
Milton, Trinity Church,	70 00
Montgomery, Union Church,	75 00
Newport, St. Mark's,	50 00
Northfield, St. Mary's,	75 00
Poultney, St. John's,	95 00
Proctorsville, Gethsemane Mission,	95 00

*The amount of these grants is in each case at the discretion of the Bishop.

Randolph Centre, Grace Church,	$75 00
Randolph, St. John's,	75 00
Richford, St. Ann's,	75 00
Swanton, Holy Trinity Church,	75 00
North Troy, St. Augustine's,	50 00
Winooski, Trinity Church,	35 00
Windsor, St. Paul's,	50 00
Wells, St. Paul's,	30 00
White River Junction, St. Paul's, Olcott, St. Peter's Mission,	150 00
Diocesan Missions,	570 00
E. L. Temple, Treasurer, towards Bishop's salary,	500 00
	$3,516 00

[APPENDIX N.]

Report of the Treasurer of the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont.

To the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont:

Your Treasurer submits the following report from June 18th, 1895, to May 1st, 1896:

STATEMENT.

Bills receivable,	$24,877 69	
Stocks,	20,150 00	
Rutland Trust Co.,	1,102 09	
Expense account,	25 50	
Interest account,		$745 99
Howard Land Fund,		5,611 56
Lois Smith Fund,		1,072 53
Andrew Buck Fund,		1,250 00
John A. Conant Fund,		3,542 69
Abram Stearns Fund,		500 00
Betsey Canfield Fund,		1,730 58
George Briggs Fund,		1,500 00
Permanent Missionary Fund,		884 00
Mrs. C. W. Conant Fund,		100 00
Parsonage Aid Fund,		187 98
B. R. Phelps Fund,		17 17
Olivia Flynn Fund,		150 00
Grace Church Organ Fund, Sheldon,		127 30
John P. Howard Fund,		20,000 00
Grace Church, Sheldon, Fund,		1,075 50
Rev. Theodore A. Hopkins Fund,		500 00

Lucretia Miller Thayer Fund,		$1,100 00
Samantha Cramton Fund,		200 00
St. Paul's Church, Windsor, Fund,		565 00
Trinity Church, Rutland, Fund,		51 06
Christ Church, Enosburgh, Fund,		68 54
Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund,		489 42
Bishop Bissell Missionary Fund,		1,076 66
Mrs. Hannah V. Howard Fund,		2,000 00
Mrs. Mary Catherine Sabin Fund,		1,380 77
Miss Sally Parker Fund,		156 53
Miss Julia P. Bailey Fund,		72 00
	$46,155 28	$46,155 28

MIDDLEBURY, VT., June 17, 1896.

We, the undersigned, having verified the foregoing report of E. P. Gilson, Treasurer of the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont, find the same correct, the securities as stated, and proper vouchers for each disbursement.

GEO. R. BOTTUM,
JAMES B. JONES,
DANIEL W. ROBINSON, } *Auditors of Trust Funds.*

Geo. Briggs, Auditor for Trustees.

The net income since the last annual report, June 18th, 1895, amounts to $2,262.54, which added to what was on hand as shown in said report, namely, $747.82, amounts to $3,010.36.

The disbursements have been as follows :

Thos. H. Canfield, Treasurer Vt. Ep. Institute,	$1,020 00
E. L. Temple, Treasurer for Diocesan Mission,	399 76
Rev. G. A. Wilkins, Grace Church, Sheldon,	60 16
Rev. J. B. Trevett, Christ Church, Bethel,	54 37

Rev. Gemont Graves, Christ Church, Fairfax,	$ 50 00
St. Thomas' Church, Brandon,	42 50
St. Mary's Church, Northfield,	55 00
Rev. Edward S. Stone, Christ Church, Enosburgh,	10 00
Rev. Edw. N. Goddard, St. Paul's Church, Windsor,	28 24
Rev. J. C. Carnahan, St. James' Church, Arlington,	86 52
St. Andrew's Church, St. Johnsbury,	25 00
St. Stephen's Church, Middlebury,	177 12
St. Paul's Church, Burlington,	130 00
	$2,138 67

The interest has been added to the following Funds, to wit:

Parsonage Aid Fund,	$ 9 05	
B. R. Phelps Fund,	81	
Grace Church Fund, Sheldon,	6 31	
Endowment Fund, Trinity Church, Rutland,	2 45	
Endowment Fund, Christ Church, Enosburgh,	2 64	
Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund,	23 56	
Bishop Bissell Missionary Fund,	44 56	
Grace Church Organ Fund, Sheldon,	6 12	
Mrs. Mary Catherine Sabin Fund,	28 27	
Miss Sally Parker Fund,	1 93	
		$125 70
		$2,264 37

Balance of interest on hand May 1st, as per statement, $745.99.

There have been no expense charges during the past year.

The Endowment Fund, Christ Church, Enosburgh, has been increased by said parish, during the year, $10.10.

The balance due on the Mary Catherine Sabin Fund, of

$200, has been received by this Corporation. And also the interest on the bequest while in the hands of the Executor, amounting to $156.50.

THE MISS SALLY PARKER FUND.

This Fund was created by the following Decree of the Probate Court, for the District of Windsor.

To the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont:

Upon the resignation of the Trustees named in the codicil of the will of Sally Parker, this Court orders that the balance remaining in the hands of George S. Hill, Executor, $154.60, be by him paid over to you to be held and dispensed by you for the purpose set forth in said will and codicil, namely, the support of Gethsemane Church located in Proctorsville, Vt. Witness my hand and the seal of the Court at Cavendish, in said District, this 7th day of October A. D. 1895.

HUGH HENRY,

Judge.

And further, by another Decree of said Court, dated at Cavendish, September 7th, 1895, the land on which the little Church at Proctorsville—"Gethsemane Church"—was built, was secured to the Diocese. The Decree reads as follows:

"The said Court doth hereby decree the said real estate by said will and testament devised and bequested for the building of an Episcopal Church thereon according thereunto, to the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont, and their successors, in accordance with the provisions of an Act of the General Assembly of the State of Vermont passed at a session thereof, approved November 19th, 1880.

To have and to hold the same according to the terms of said will of said deceased, and the said Act of Incorporation, to them and their successors forever."

I have recently been informed of the reduction of the Capital Stock by reason of the embarrassment of the National White River Bank, Bethel; and as the bequest of Olivia Flynn, was made in this stock, the said Fund will suffer to the extent of said reduction, which is Ten Dollars per share, amounting to $30.00, leaving the Fund now $120.00 as per statement of June 16th, herewith rendered. This is the first loss to the Trust Funds intrusted to this corporation since its organization in 1880, now sixteen years.

The instrument of gift in this case, contains the following clause: "That the transfer of said stock to said trustees shall be in trust to them for the purpose above named in such manner that they shall have no authority to sell or assign said stock to any other person or corporation."

I herewith append a statement of the standing of this corporation on June 17th, 1896: All investments are secured by first mortgages on real estate, except the John P. Howard Fund which is in Rensselaer & Saratoga Ry. consolidated stock, and the Olivia Flynn Fund, which is in bank stock.

The Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont:

Bills Receivable,	$16,807 69	
Stocks,	20,120 00	
Rutland Trust Co.,	9,510 59	
Expense Account,	25 50	
Interest Account,		$ 982 49
Howard Land Fund,		5,611 56

Lois Smith Fund,	$1,072 53
Andrew Buck Fund,	1,250 00
John A. Conant Fund,	3,542 69
Abram Stearns Fund,	500 00
Betsey Canfield Fund,	1,730 58
George Briggs Fund,	1,500 00
Permanent Missionary Fund,	884 00
Mrs. C. W. Conant Fund,	100 00
Parsonage Aid Fund,	187 98
B. R. Phelps Fund,	17 17
Olivia Flynn Fund,	120 00
Grace Church Organ Fund, Sheldon,	127 30
John P. Howard Fund,	20,000 00
Grace Church, Sheldon, Fund,	1,075 50
Rev. Theodore A. Hopkins Fund,	500 00
Lucretia Miller Thayer Fund,	1,100 00
Samantha Cramton Fund,	200 00
St. Paul's Church, Windsor, Fund,	565 00
Trinity Church, Rutland, Fund,	51 06
Christ Church, Enosburgh, Fund,	68 54
Bishop Bissell Memorial Fund,	489 42
Bishop Bissell Missionary Fund,	1,076 77
Mrs. Hannah V. Howard Fund,	2,000 00
Mrs. Mary Catherine Sabin Fund,	1,380 77
Miss Sally Parker Fund,	156 53
Miss Julia P. Bailey Fund,	174 00
$46,463 78	$46,463 78

We, the undersigned, having verified the foregoing report of E. P. Gilson, Treasurer of the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont, find the same correct, the securities as stated, and proper vouchers for each disbursement.

Audited and found correct, this 17th day of June, 1896.

GEORGE BRIGGS,

Auditor for Trustees.

GEO. R. BOTTUM,
JAMES B. JONES,
DANIEL W. ROBINSON,
} *Auditors of Trust Funds.*

Respectfully submitted.

E. P. GILSON,

Treasurer.

June 17th, 1896.

[APPENDIX O.]

Report of the Auditors of Trust Funds.

The Auditors report Trust Funds held in and by certain parishes for their own benefit, as follows:

Barre—Elizabeth Pierce Memorial Fund,	$ 50 00
Brandon—Mrs. J. A. Conant Fund,	5,000 00
Bennington—Mrs. Hannah Morse Fund,	100 00
Bethel—Louisa Lillie Fund,	600 00
" Olive Flynn Fund,	100 00
Georgia—Sarah A. Hyde Fund,	1,500 00
Jericho—Rev. S. B. Bostwick Fund,	21 42
Manchester Centre—Baxter Fund,	500 00
" " Mary E. Baxter Fund,	4,500 00
Middlebury—Hannah S. Clark Fund,	100 00
Milton—L. B. Witters Fund,	1,000 00
Randolph—Kinsman Fund,	500 00
" Olive Gay Fund,	100 00
Rutland—Mary E. Baxter Fund,	7,500 00
Vergennes—F. Bradbury and Cyrus Booth Fund,	5,500 00
Woodstock—Stearns Fund,	1,000 00
" R. A. Blake Fund,	1,000 00
" Eliza Russell Fund,	500 00
" Lyman Mower Fund,	8,000 00
" C. P. Marsh Fund,	500 00
" John Cone Fund,	500 00
Diocese of Vermont—Mary E. Baxter Fund, for Missions,	7,500 00
	$46,071 42

GEORGE R. BOTTUM,
JAMES B. JONES,
DANIEL W. ROBINSON,
} *Auditors of Trust Funds.*

[APPENDIX P.]

THE VERMONT BRANCH

OF THE

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

TO THE

BOARD OF MISSIONS.

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

The sixteenth annual meeting of the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, was held in St. Peter's Church, Bennington, September 24th and 25th, 1895.

TUESDAY, 24th.

Tuesday evening, 7.45. Evening service was read by the Rev. George Lynde Richardson, Rector of the Parish, assisted by Rev. Wm. J. Harris, D. D., the Diocesan Missionary. The sermon was preached by the Rev. J. Isham Bliss, D. D., of St. Paul's, Burlington.

WEDNESDAY, 25TH.

Holy Communion was celebrated at 7 a. m. by the Rev. G. L. Richardson and the Rev. Dr. Bliss.

At 9 a. m. a second Celebration of the Holy Communion. Celebrant, The Rt. Rev. Bishop McKim of Japan, assisted by the Rev. George L. Richardson.

10.45 A. M. WEDNESDAY.

The regular annual meeting was held in St. Peter's Church, Bennington, at 10.45 a. m., the President, Mrs. Laura M. Gray, in the chair.

The roll of delegates was called, those present being as follows:

St. James's, Arlington	Mrs. J. C. Carnahan, Mrs. Jesse Burdette, Mrs. Charles Buck, Mrs. W. L. McAuley.
St. Peter's, Bennington	Mrs L. F. Abbott, Mrs. H. L. Stilson, Mrs. G. L. Richardson.
St. Paul's, Burlington	Mrs. Alice L. Hopkins, Mrs. John C. Farrer.
Zion Church, Manchester Centre	Mrs. J. H. Dench. Mrs. M. Wilson.
Young Ladies' Guild, Manchester Centre,	Miss M. L. Wyman, Mrs. F. D. Giddings.
St. John's Mission, Manchester	Mrs. G. W. Bennett, Mrs. Burton.
St. Mary's, Northfield	Mrs. F. Howe, Miss M. J. Johnston.
Young Ladies' Guild, Northfield	Miss Helen Howe.
Grace Church, Randolph Centre	Miss Anita Burt.
St. John's, Randolph	Miss Burgess.
Trinity Mission, Rutland	Mrs. George Lawrence, Mrs. G. W. Buckingham, Mrs. Geo. Verder.
Trinity Church Guild	Mrs. C. M. Niles, Mrs. E. L. Temple.
Grace Church, West Rutland	Mrs. Harmon.
Middletown Springs	Mrs. Norton.
St. Andrew's, St. Johnsbury	Mrs. J. C. Thompson, Mrs. S. P. Farrell.
St. James's, Woodstock	Mrs. G. W. Paul.
Trinity Mission, Milton	Miss Harris, Mrs. Dixon, Miss Galt.
St. James's, Hydeville	Mrs. Pitt W. Hyde, Miss Louise Metcalf.
St. Faith's Mission, Castleton	Mrs. Nichols.

The Societies admitted to the General Board were as follows:

The Woman's Auxiliary of Cambridge,

The Junior Auxiliary of St. James' Church, Arlington,

The Junior Branch of St. Mary's Guild, Bennington.

Reports of the Secretaries and Treasurer were then read and accepted.

The following officers were elected:

President—MRS. LAURA M. GRAY, Burlington.

First Vice-President—MRS. L. G. KINSLEY, Rutland.

Second Vice-President—MRS. ELIZABETH S. ALLEN, Woodstock.

Treasurer—MRS. EDMOND L. WYMAN, Manchester Centre.

Corresponding Secretary—MRS. CHAS. E. ALLEN, Burlington.

Recording Secretary—MRS. EDSON P. GILSON, Rutland.

General Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary—MRS. THOMAS H. CANFIELD, Burlington.

Secretary of the Periodical Club—MISS MARY ARTHUR, Burlington.

Auditor—MR. E. P. GILSON, Rutland.

District Managers:

Montpelier District—MRS. JOHN REEVES, Island Pond; MRS. L. P. GLEASON, Montpelier.

St. Albans District—MRS. HERBERT DEAN, East Berkshire; MRS. I. S. BOSTWICK, St. Albans.

Windsor District—MRS. G. W. PAUL, Woodstock; MRS. H. W. THOMPSON, Bellows Falls.

Burlington District—MRS. FULLER, Milton; MRS. S. W. HINDES, Vergennes.

Rutland District—MRS. C. M. NILES, Rutland; MRS. G. L. RICHARDSON, Bennington.

A letter was read from Miss Emery, urging the Branch to be as generous as possible in its contribution to the

United Offering for an Episcopate in a Missionary Jurisdiction.

Mrs. Thomas H. Canfield read a letter asking aid for an Indian girl at Grafton Hall, Fond-du-Lac, Wisconsin.

At 12 m. prayers for Missions were said by the Rector.

Adjourned until 2.30 P. M.

The Convention was called to order at 2.30 p. m.

The Appropriation Committee reported as follows:

Salary of Diocesan Missionary, (including specials),	$750 00
Vermont Branch Scholarship at Bishop Hopkins Hall,	100 00
Expenses of Bishop McKim,	50 00
Expenses of Rev. Dr. Bliss,	10 00
Expenses of Rev. Dr. Harris,	10 00
Expenses of Rev. Mr. Weeks,	10 00
Student at Grafton Hall, Fond du-Lac,	50 00
Colored student, Columbia, S. C.,	60 00
Miss Suthon's work, Japan,	50 00
Miss Emery's Contingent Fund,	10 00
United Offering (to make the total up to $300),	25 00
"The Mountain Echo,"	20 00

The Diocesan Missionary, the Rev. Wm. J. Harris, gave an interesting account of his work in the Diocese during the year.

Bishop McKim made a strong appeal for Miss Suthon's work in Japan.

Resolutions read and adopted were as follows:

On motion of Mrs. E. L. Wyman,

Resolved, That reports shall be from May 1st to May 1st, instead of from Easter to Easter, as formerly.

On motion of Mrs. W. B. Buckingham,

Resolved, That the members of the Auxiliary unite in expressing their sympathy with their Bishop in the painful accident which has prevented his being with them at this time. They also wish to assure him of their deep regret that they could not have his inspiring presence and counsel in their meeting, and earnestly pray that he may speedily be restored to complete health and strength.

On motion of Mrs. E. L. Temple.

Resolved, That the members of the Auxiliary wish to express their appreciation and hearty thanks for the thoughtful and generous hospitality which has been extended to us by the ladies of Bennington, making our stay in their midst one of the pleasant memories of the year.

At 5.30 p. m., supper was served in Odd Fellows' Hall, followed by a short and pleasant reception.

At 7.45, a Missionary meeting was held in the Church, with addresses by Bishop McKim and the Rev. Wm. F. Nooks, who also read a letter from the Bishop of the Diocese, who was unable to be with us, owing to a serious accident.

Adjourned.

MRS. E. P. GILSON,
Secretary.

Treasurer's Report.

FROM EASTER, 1895, TO MAY 1st, 1896.

RECEIPTS.

Arlington, St. James', (united offering $14.)		$ 19 00
Bellows Falls, Immanuel,		30 00
Bennington, St. Peter's, for united offering,		2 31
Bethel, Christ, for united offering,		4 54
Brandon, St. Thomas',		10 00
Brattleboro, St. Michael's, (united offering $6.50.)		16 50
Burlington, St. Paul's, (united offering $3.)		143 03
Burlington, Mrs. Gray for united offering,		1 50
Burlington, Mrs. Pierson for Endowment fund,		16 57
Castleton, St. Faith's, for united offering,		2 00
Chester, St. Luke's,		1 00
Fair Haven, St. Luke's, for united offering,		1 00
Hydeville, St. James', (united offering $2.)		7 50
Island Pond, Christ,		2 50
Manchester Centre, Zion, (united offering $5.63.)		10 53
Manchester Centre, Young Women's Guild,		3 00
Middletown, Mrs. Norton for united offering,		60
Montpelier, Christ,		20 00
Montpelier, two ladies for united offering,		2 00
Northfield, St. Mary's,		6 50
Randolph, Grace, for united offering,		25 00
Royalton, St. Paul's, for united offering,		25 00
Rutland, Trinity,		100 83
Rutland, Trinity Guild for united offering,		5 00
Rutland, Trinity Mission for united offering,		5 00
Rutland, Mrs. Kingsley for united offering,		3 00
Rutland, Mrs. Baxter, united offering,	$ 50 00	
General Missionary,	175 00	
Mountain Echo,	20 00	
		245 00

Shelburne, Trinity, (united offering $11)		$36 00
Sheldon, Grace, for united offering,		10 00
St. Albans, St. Luke's, (united offering $18.88.)		38 88
St. Albans, Mrs. Bostwick, (united offering $1.)		6 00
St. Albans, Help. Hand Jun. Aux. for un. off.,		7 65
Swanton, Holy Trinity,		3 38
Vergennes, St. Paul's,		17 46
Vergennes, Mrs. Booth for united offering,		3 50
Windsor, St. Paul's,		10 00
Winooski, Trinity,		5 60
Woodstock, St. James',		15 00
Individuals for united offering,		10 59
Mrs. William Seward Webb,		400 00
Offerings at annual meeting,		21 28
Interest on deposit for annual offering,		1 52
		$1,279 77
Deposit for united offering,		70 29
Cash in hand Easter, 1895,		578 97
		$1,929 03

DISBURSEMENTS.

General Missionary's salary,		$862 50
Expenses of speakers at united meeting:		
Bishop McKim,	$50 00	
Rev. Dr. Harris,	10 00	
Rev. Wm. F. Weeks,	10 00	
		70 00
Grafton Hall, Fond du Lac, for student,		50 00
Colored student under Rev. E. N. Joyner, Columbia, S. C.,		60 00
Miss Suthon's work, Japan,		50 00
Miss Emery's Contingent Fund,		10 00

Deposited in Savings Bank for Scholarship in Bishop Hopkins Hall,		$100 00
Miss Dodson's Training School for Deaconesses, China,		10 00
Mountain Echo, (Special $20.)		40 00
United Offering, (Specials $229.79.)		313 97
Endowment Fund, Special,		16 57
Auxiliary envelopes,		15 85
Postage and printing:		
President,	$ 1 50	
Treasurer,	1 60	
Corresponding Secretary,	2 68	
Recording Secretary,	10 95	
		16 73
		$1,615 62
Cash in hand (Bank),		313 41
		$1,929 03

MRS. E. L. WYMAN,
Treasurer.

Manchester Centre, Vt., May 29th, 1896.

RUTLAND, VT., June 6th, 1896.

This is to certify that I have examined the foregoing account of the Treasurer of the Woman's Auxiliary and find it correct, and the expenditures sustained by proper vouchers.

E. P. GILSON,
Auditor.

Report of the Corresponding Secretary.

EASTER, 1895 TO MAY 1, 1896.

Arlington—St. James' Church.	
One box sent Rev. J. P. Perry, Brunswick, Ga., December, 1895,	$ 10 20
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	5 00
United offering,	14 00
Home Missionary Work in Parish,	12 00
Recess Chancel fund,	93 00
Total,	$134 20
Barre—Mission of the Good Shepherd.	
Objects in Parish,	$687 40
Bellows Falls—Immanuel Parish.	
One box Santee Agency, Nebraska, April, 1896,	$ 53 23
One box Mrs. Buford, April, 1896,	35 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	30 00
Objects in Parish,	5 25
Total,	$123 48
Bennington—St. Peter's Parish.	
One box Rev. J. P. Perry, Brunswick, Ga., December, 1895,	$ 13 98
Box in District box by St. Mary's Guild,	8 85
Cash, Thanksgiving contribution, Christmas box in parish, etc.,	87 15
United offering,	2 31
Total,	$112 29

Brandon—St. Thomas' Parish.

One box Indian Girl, So. Dakota, April, 1896,	$33 00
Box in District box,	10 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer, .	10 00
Work on Rectory and carpet,	39 28
Total,	$ 92 28

Brattleboro—St. Michael's Parish.

Two barrels clothing, Mrs. Buford's Hospital, November, 1895,	$100 00
One barrel Indian Agency, Santee, Nebraska, April, '96,	27 45
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	10 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer for united offering,	6 50
Objects in Parish,	126 72
Total,	$270 67

Burlington—St. Paul's Parish.

One box Rev. Samuel Mills, Crystal City, Mo., 1895,	$ 133 59
Box Missionary in Diocese, March '96,	95 80
Box Rev. L. M. Wilkins, Kentucky,	10 00
Enrollment fund,	16 57
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	140 03
Sent Diocesan Treasurer for united offering,	4 50
Total,	$400 49

One box sent by Girl's Friendly Society to Mrs. W. F. Clarke, Rustburg, Va., Dec. 1895,	$ 61 20
One box sent by Pastoral Aid Society, Apr. '96,	15 00
Total,	$ 76 20

Castleton—St. Faith's Mission.	
Sent Diocesan Treasurer for united offering,	$ 2 00
Sent E. L. Temple, Treasurer,	3 75
Objects in Parish,	18 00
Objects in Parish—Sunday-school,	10 00
	$ 33 75
Chester—St. Luke's Parish.	
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	$ 1 00
Objects in Parish,	223 87
Total,	$224 87
East Berkshire—Calvary Church.	
One box Rev. S. S. Burlison, Oneida Mission, Wis.,	$ 27 00
Objects in Parish,	76 66
Total,	$103 66
Georgia—Emmanuel Mission.	
One parcel sent in St. Albans District box,	$ 2 50
Clothing for family in Parish,	3 00
Total,	$ 5 00
Enosburgh—Christ Church.	
One box Rev. S. S. Burlison, Oneida Mission, Wis.,	$ 16 00
Express on box,	1 00
Objects in Parish, Insurance on Church,	5 63
Total,	$ 22 63
Enosburgh Falls—St. Matthew's Parish.	
One box Rev. S. S. Burlison, Oneida, Wisconsin,	$ 32 00
Objects in Parish, Electric Lighting of Church,	25 00
Total,	$ 57 00

Fair Haven—St. Luke's Mission.

To Bishop Hall for building fund for Castleton,	$ 5 00
Paid to Treasurer, Dr. Murray,	5 00
To apply on Diocesan Missions,	5 00
Diocesan Treasurer for united offering,	1 00
Total,	$ 16 00

Hydeville—St. James' Parish.

Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	$ 15 50
Sent Diocesan Treasurer for united offering,	2 00
Objects in Parish, insurance and care of Church,	27 50
Objects in Parish, other expenses,	12 54
Total,	$ 57 54

Island Pond—Christ Church.

One box sent Indian girl, South Dakota,	$ 25 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	2 50
Work in Parish,	8 50
Total,	$ 36 00

Manchester Centre—Zion Church, Ladies' Society.

One box Rev. J. C. Dennis, Colored School, Portsmouth, Va.,	$ 21 95
Sent Diocesan Treasurer, general fund,	5 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer for united offering,	5 53
Objects in Parish,	74 47
Total,	$106 95

Manchester Centre—Young Women's Guild.

Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	$ 3 00
Objects in Parish,	50 60
Total,	$ 53 60

Middlebury—St. Stephen's Parish.

One box to be sent to Bishop Talbot's School, Wyoming, amount already expended,	$ 17	46

Milton—Trinity Mission.

Work in Parish,	$ 18	65

Montgomery—Union Church.

One box Indian School, in Bishop Talbot's District,	$ 10	00
Objects in Parish,	46	68
Total,	$ 56	68

Montpelier—Christ Church.

One box Santee Agency, Miss Nellie Lindsay,	$ 46	03
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	20	00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer for united offering,	2	00
Objects in Parish,	19	97
Total,	$ 88	00

Northfield—St. Mary's Church.

Sent Diocesan Treasurer for general fund,	$ 6	50

Poultney—St. John's Parish.

One barrel sent Mrs. Buford,	$ 42	65
In District box,	4	62
One box for Church in Idaho,	2	50
Objects in Parish, Mission work,	14	00
Objects in Parish, current expenses,	60	36
Total,	$124	13

Randolph—St. John's Parish.

One box Rev. J. J. Middleton, Cairo, Illinois,	$ 87	00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer for united offering,	9	00
Objects in Parish,	58	60
Objects in Parish, Rectory Fund,	58	70
Total,	$213	30

Randolph Centre—Grace Church.	
One box Colored Mission, Cairo, Illinois,	$ 6 00
Objects in Parish,	15 02
Objects in Parish, insurance on Church,	7 00
Total,	$ 28 02
Richford—St. Ann's Mission.	
One box Indian Mission, Shoshone Agency,	$ 12 00
Objects in Parish,	71 00
Total,	$ 83 00
Royalton—St. Paul's Church.	
One parcel Mrs. Miles, Portsmouth, Va.,	$ 8 00
One parcel in Dist. box from Woodstock,	5 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer for united offering,	25 00
Objects in Parish, alterations in Church,	25 00
Total,	$ 63 00
Rutland—Trinity Mission.	
In District box, December, '95,	$ 14 50
Lenten box, Miss Lindsay, Santee Agency,	39 08
Sent Diocesan Treasurer, united offering,	63 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer, general fund,	100 00
Objects in Parish, vestments for choristers,	10 00
City poor,	4 00
Parish House Fund,	240 00
Total,	$470 58
St. Albans—St. Luke's Church.	
One box, Fannie Paddock Memorial Hospital, July, 1895.	$ 50 20
Sent Diocesan Treasurer, general fund,	25 00
United offering,	19 88
One box fancy articles for fair, Nebraska,	6 27
Total,	$101 53

District box, sent Rev. J. J. Roberts, Shoshone Agency, Wy.,	$ 46 90

St. Johnsbury—Rector's Aid Society, St. Andrew's Parish.

Sent E. L. Temple, Treasurer, for Bishop's salary and Convention expenses,	$ 54 00
Missions in Lyndonville, North Concord and Victory,	125 00
Objects in Parish,	55 00
Parish sewing,	5 00
Total,	$239 00

Shelburne—Trinity Parish.

One box, St. Mark's Hospital, Salt Lake City, March, '96,	$ 50 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer, general fund,	25 00
" " " united offering,	11 00
Objects in Parish,	29 92
Total,	$115 92

Sheldon—Grace Church.

One parcel in St. Albans District box,	$ 5 00
One parcel to Twenty-Minute Society,	3 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer, for united offering,	10 00
For Diocesan Missions,	5 00
Objects in Parish—Hymnals,	5 00
One barrel reading matter, C. P. C.,	3 00
Total,	$ 31 00

Swanton—Holy Trinity Church and St. Elizabeth's Guild.

Two barrels clothing, sent Rev. G. G. Middleton, Cairo, Ill.,	$ 61 38
Sent Diocesan Treasurer, for united offering,	3 38
Objects in Parish—Rector's salary,	91 35
Other expenses,	126 79
Total,	$282 90

Vergennes—St. Paul's Parish.

One box sent Rev. G. G. Middleton, Cairo, Ill., April, '96,	$ 29 90
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	17 46
Sent Diocesan Treasurer, for united offering,	3 50
Objects in Parish—Cleaning and Carpeting Church,	181 40
Total,	$232 26

Windsor—St. Paul's Church.

One box sent Bishop White for Rev. H. J. Ranger, Nov. '95,	$ 5 00
One box sent Santee Agency, Nebraska, Apr '96,	21 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	10 00
Objects in Parish;	5 00
Total,	$ 41 00

Winooski—Holy Trinity Church.

One parcel for Colored School, Cairo, Illinois, March, '96,	$ 7 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	5 60
Objects in Parish—Surplice,	7 50
Total,	$ 20 10

Woodstock—St. James's Parish.

One box sent Rev. R. J. Mooney, Elmer, Wash., Dec., '95,	$218 53

One box, Miss Nellie Lindsay, Santee Agency, Neb., April, '96,	$25 00
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	15 00
Objects in Parish,	9 00
Total,	$267 53

SUMMARY.

Valuation of boxes,	$1,559 77
Sent Diocesan Treasurer,	446 59
Sent Diocesan Treasurer for united offering,	184 60
Objects in Parish,	2,751 51
Specials in Diocese,	202 75
Enrollment Fund,	16 57
Total,	$5,161 79

Respectfully submitted,

ELLEN C. ALLEN,
Corresponding Secretary.

Report of the General Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary.

FROM EASTER, 1895, TO MAY 1, 1896.

Arlington—St. James's Church.

Junior Auxiliary. To Mrs. Mary L. Lucas, Wando, South Carolina.

Christmas,	$1 00
Easter,	2 86
	$3 86

Bellows Falls—Immanuel Church.

This Parish has two Societies. The older girls are simply "The Juniors." The younger are "The Ministering Children." Working both for the same object they report the proceeds of a united sale—for the furniture of the Chancel, Lyndonville, Vt. $50 00

Bennington——St. Peter's Church.

"The Helpers" just organized, twenty-four members.

Cash for "The Brierly Memorial Hall" fund, Cape Palmas, Africa (through home mite chests), 50

Brandon—St. Thomas' Church.

Cash from the Sunday School for "The Brierly Memorial Hall" Fund, Cape Palmas, Africa, $2 73

Brattleboro—St. Michael's Church.

"St. Agnes Guild," twelve members, from twelve to sixteen years of age.

One box of clothing sent to Bishop Talbot's Indian School, Shoshone Agency, Wyoming, $18 15

Enosburgh Falls—St. Matthew's Church.

Two Societies.

No. 1. Guild of the Good Shepherd, nineteen members (girls) from ten to thirteen years of age. Twenty-five sewing meetings, several Missionary readings.

For Xmas tree in Parish, cash,	$1 50	
For Armenians, cash,	1 50	
For S. S. Library,	1 00	
		$4 00

Box work.

Part of a box for Rev. S. S. Burlison for Oneida Indians, $7 00

No. 2 Society (Boys.)

Holy Cross Guild, ten members from ten to fifteen years of age. Meetings generally every alternate week.

Cash for Xmas tree in Parish, besides securing subscriptions for Mountain Echo and other work, $2 00

$13 00

Island Pond—Christ Church.

One box sent to Indian girl, Fort Bennett, South Dakota, $25 00

Manchester Centre—Zion Church.

Junior Auxiliary.

Home mite chests, $1 77

Randolph—

Junior Auxiliary, eight members.	
One box sent to Colored School,	$ 3 00
One box sent to Indians,	17 50
One box sent special,	2 00
One box sent to Parish,	1 25
	$23 75

Richford—St. Ann's Mission.

Two Societies.

No. 1. St. Agnes' Guild, twelve members.

Money raised for a carpet for church,	$40 00
Box for Fort Bennett, South Dakota,	2 23

No. 2. Bell Ringers, ten members.

One box for Fort Bennett, South Dakota,	2 85
	$45 08

Instructions on Missions weekly.

St. Albans—St. Luke's Church.

Two Societies of girls.

No. 1. Helping Hands, twenty-five members, children.

One box for Mrs. Buford's Hospital, Virginia,	$70 00
Cash for United offering, 1895,	7 65

No. 2 Society. St. Agnes' Guild, sixteen members, young women, lately organized for the study of Missions.

For Brierly Memorial Hall,	5 00
Contributions of the Junior Auxiliary of the St. Albans Missionary District sent with box of the Woman's Auxiliary of that District to the Rev. J. Roberts, Shoshone Agency Indian school,	8 50
	$91 15

St. Johnsbury—S. S. St. Andrew's Church.
Lenten offering for the "Brierly Memorial Hall" Fund, Cape Palmas, Africa, $3 33

Swanton—Holy Trinity.
"Junior Auxiliary," for "Brierly Memorial Hall," Cape Palmas, Africa, $13 50

Woodstock—St. James's Sunday School.
For "Brierly Memorial Hall," $2 00

Windsor—St. Paul's Church.
Sisters of Bethany, for Indian girl, Fort Bennett, South Dakota, $5 00
One box, gotten up by the Secretary for the Indian girl at Fort Bennett, So. Dakota, $34 00

Bishop Hopkins Hall—Burlington.
Junior Auxiliary—One box, outfit for Indian girl, Fort Bennett, South Dakota, $25 00

RECAPITULATION.

Cash for Diocesan Mission,	$ 50 00
Cash for the Brierly Memorial Hall,	28 83
Cash for Parishes,	47 75
Cash for the united offering, 1895,	7 65
Cash for Armenia,	1 50
Nine boxes for Indian Schools,	145 23
Two boxes for Colored Hospital,	73 00
For Domestic Missions,	3 86
Total,	$357 82

Having obtained the hearty approbation of our Bishop, I visited, during the fall and early winter, the following Parishes and Missions, with a view to promoting an interest in the Junior Auxiliary, which is a branch of

the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions: Bennington, Arlington, Manchester Centre, Rutland, Brandon, Montpelier, Barre, Northfield, Bethel, White River Junction, Woodstock, Windsor, Bishop Hopkins Hall, Rock Point, Winooski, Vergennes, Middlebury, Poultney, Castleton, Hydeville, Fair Haven, Bellows Falls, St. Albans, Swanton, Enosburgh Falls and Richford.

A cordial welcome greeted me everywhere, and much interest was shown in the topics presented to the various little gatherings in each parish, relating to the Woman's General Auxiliary meeting held in St. Paul during the late General Convention, and many other items in connection with woman's work in the Church, and ways and means of developing the Junior Department. For a little while courage revived in the hearts of the faithful workers, of whom each parish has a few. We need to know more of others outside our Diocese, to keep up our courage, for we invariably feel more hopeful and able to work with renewed energies after contact with kindred hopeful workers everywhere.

While the result has not yet equalled my hopes and desires, a good beginning has been made, dating in some places a number of years back, while I had the pleasure of starting a new interest in some others not yet at work. Bellows Falls has two flourishing societies, "The Ministering Children," composed of girls under twelve, and "The Juniors," who are the older girls. Each society meets separately for sewing and instruction from associate members, twelve of whom in the parish divide the labor of preparing the work. The missionary readings, or lessons, conducted with maps and black board illustrations, are found interesting and instructive helps. These little societies are no novices in working. The addition of the

regular instruction in missions is of more recent introduction.

In Richford two newly organized little societies, the St. Agnes Guild and the Bell Ringers, are trying their best under the efficient leadership of the clergyman's wife with assistants. Here weekly instruction on missions is given.

Bennington is also beginning to follow the new plan, the rector himself giving the lessons on missionary topics.

Manchester Centre led off with the boys as well as the girls, finding them helpful especially in getting subscribers for the "Mountain Echo." Two devoted ladies are interested in helping the younger portion of the parish, instructing them to the best of their ability under the direction of the rector.

Enosburgh Falls likewise interests the boys who are organized into the " Holy Cross Guild," while the "Guild of the Good Shepherd " numbers nineteen girls, to whom a few missionary readings were given during the winter.

St. Albans has long had the " Helping Hands," an energetic society of little girls, under one of our most helpful, devoted women as leader. A new organization of the young women of St. Luke's parish (in consequence of my visit), the St. Agnes Guild, have met regularly for weekly instruction for some months past and are (so far as known to me) the only ones who have adopted the plan proposed, of a regular offering of one cent a week for missions.

Randolph, the Junior Auxiliary of only eight members working under unusual disadvantages, deserves especial encouragement. Few would persevere and do as well and keep up the interest as they have done.

Island Pond, Woodstock, Brattleboro, Northfield, Arlington, Bishop Hopkins Hall and St. Johnsbury are all at

work, but have not sent as full reports as the others have done.

The interest in the Junior Auxiliary is assuredly growing throughout the Church wherever it is known, not only in the United States but in our foreign Missionary Jurisdictions. The booklets on many subjects connected with missions and put forth by the Junior Auxiliary Publishing Committee, endorsed by the whole Board of Missions at the last two General Conventions, are prepared for instructions on topics heretofore out of reach of many, and together with the Spirit of Missions, add immensely to the knowledge of all who will use them, as to the growth and needs of the Church, and what becomes of the money we are continually called upon to contribute. The field is white for the harvest. May we train up our children that their prayers and their alms may come up as a memorial before God. A child thus trained from his baptism cannot fail in knowing his place in the Church, and how to be an intelligent worker as he grows older. The duty and privilege of giving of what has been entrusted to him as a steward for which he is accountable before God, must be learned as well as the duty of prayer by precept and practice alike. This is the lesson the Junior Auxiliary would teach in all its fullness and variety.

CAROLINE A. H. CANFIELD,

General Secretary of the Vermont Branch of the Junior Auxiliary.

OFFICERS' MEETING.

MIDDLEBURY, VT., June 17th, 1896.

According to a resolution passed in September, 1886, directing a special meeting of the officers of the Auxiliary to be held during the meeting of the Diocesan Convention, to whom the annual reports of the Treasurer and Secretaries were to be made, the following officers met in the Chapel of St. Stephen's Church, Wednesday, immediately after the morning service.

The officers present were:

MRS. LAURA M. GRAY, *President;* MRS. E. L. WYMAN, *Treasurer;* MRS. CHARLES E. ALLEN, *Corresponding Secretary;* MRS. EDSON P. GILSON, *Recording Secretary;* and MRS. THOMAS H. CANFIELD, *General Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary.*

The Treasurers' report was read by Mrs. E. L. Wyman, the Corresponding Secretary's report by Mrs. C. E. Allen, and the Recording Secretary's report by Mrs. E. P. Gilson. The report of the Junior Auxiliary was read by Mrs. Thomas H. Canfield.

The reports were accepted and adopted, and ordered to be printed in the Journal.

It was voted to send $50 to Miss Julia C. Emery as a special offering for Missionaries.

On motion, adjourned.

MRS. LAURA M. GRAY,
President.

MRS. E. P. GILSON,
Recording Secretary.

[APPENDIX Q.]

Amendments to the Diocesan Canons

Enacted since they were published in 1885, and now in force.

The following amendments to Sec. 5, Canon I., Title I., adopted at Montpelier, June 7, 1888:

"When a Bishop is to be elected, the Convention shall always vote by Orders, and a majority of each Order, when both concur, shall constitute an election. The Secretary shall first call the roll of the Clergy, who shall, as their names are called, deposit their ballots with the Tellers, and when counted the result shall be announced to the Convention. The Secretary shall then call the roll of Lay Delegates, who shall, as their names are called, deposit their ballots with the Tellers, which shall be counted and announced as ordered for the Clergy. In case of non-concurrence the first time, balloting shall continue in the same way and order as above until an election is made."

Addition to Canon XI., Title II., adopted at Rutland, June 20, 1889:

Sec. 2. "When any Parish that has been legally constituted under the Canons of this Diocese shall fail, for any cause, to possess the requisite number of Communicants to entitle it to the rights of such organization, the Bishop may, with the consent of the Standing Committee, declare such organization void, and place said Parish upon the list of Mission Stations."

Amendments to Canons adopted at St. Albans, June 7, 1894.

Amendment to Sec. 2, Canon I., Title I. Strike out the first six lines of the section and substitute the following:

"Every Clergyman canonically resident in the Diocese, shall be a member of the Convention, but shall not vote at the election of a Bishop unless he had been so resident at least one year."

Amendment to Canon IV., Title II. (page 19, edition of 1893). Strike out the last three lines and substitute the following:

"A Clergyman becomes resident in this Diocese for the purposes of these Canons on Ordination by the Bishop thereof, or on acceptance of his Letters Dimissory, and such residence terminates only on notice received that Letters Dimissory from this Diocese have been elsewhere accepted."

Amendment to Canon VII., Title I., so as to read as follows:

"The Holy Communion shall be celebrated at the opening of every Convention, at which time the Bishop's address or charge shall be delivered, unless the Bishop shall otherwise appoint."

Amendments adopted at Montpelier, June 20, 1895.

Amendment to Canon IX, Title II.

CANON IX.

Of Parish registers, reports, and assessments.

§ 1. [§ 1, is to stand as it is now.]

"§ 2. At least two weeks before each Annual Convention of the Diocese, the Rector or Minister and Church Wardens of every Parish or Mission shall report to the

Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Standing Committee concerning the state of the Parish on the first day of May next before the Convention, stating whatever in their judgment may throw light on the state of the Church, and, in particular giving the details required by the Canons of the General Convention [Digest of 1892, Title I, Canon 20] and such other matters as may at the discretion of the Bishop be specified in a blank form of report to be submitted to them on or before April 1st, by the Secretary of the Convention."

"These reports, or such parts or abstracts of them as the Bishop directs, may be read in convention or printed as an appendix to the Journal.

"§ 3. The reports specified in § 2 shall be taken as the basis of all assessments or apportionment of offerings expected from the several congregations, whether made by the Convention or any board or committee of the Diocese, and all assessments thus made, which shall remain unpaid shall be counted in the next report as a part of the indebtedness of the congregation, and it shall be the duty of the reporting officers to give the reason for the non-payment thereof."

Amendment to Canon II, Title I.

Strike out the last three lines of Sec. 2, [lines 7, 8, 9, p. 12, ed. of 1885, or Journal of 1893, p. 250] and insert the following:

"The Treasurer's annual reports shall be made for the twelve months ending on the first day of May next before the Convention."

Amendment to Canon X, Title I.

In the last line but one [line 10, p. 15, ed. of 1885, or Journal of 1893, p. 253] strike out the three words "last

Easter Monday" and insert the words "first day of May next" so that the sentence shall read, "These reports shall be for the year preceding the first day of May next before the Convention."

Amendment to Sec. 8, Canon I, Title III.

In line three strike out the words "last Easter Monday" and insert the words the "first day of May."

Amendment to the Constitution, adopted at Middlebury, June 18, 1896.

Article VII. Strike out from lines 6, 7 and 8 of Article 7 of the Constitution (p. 8, ed. of 1885, or p. 246 of the Journal of 1893) the following words, namely:

"At every Convention the lay delegates shall report to the Bishop the temporal condition of their respective parishes, stating their income, their debts, and the amount of their Minister's salary," and insert instead thereof as follows:

"Reports of the condition of every Parish and Mission shall be made to the Bishop at least two weeks before each Annual Convention by the respective Rectors (or Ministers) and Church Wardens thereof, which reports shall include a statement of the income of the Parish, its debts and the amount of the Minister's salary, together with such other particulars as may be defined by canon or required by the Bishop."

[APPENDIX B.]

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

For the Canonical Year from April 15, 1895, to May 1, 1896.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, ARLINGTON.

REV. JAMES CURTIS CARNAHAN, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, October 15, 1893.

PARISH OFFICERS.

JESSE BURDETTE, Senior Warden.

FRANK N. CANFIELD, Junior Warden.

EDWARD C. WOODWORTH, Secretary of the Vestry.

FRANK N. CANFIELD, Treasurer of the Vestry.

J. ROLLIN JUDSON, HENRY M. FARNHAM, CLEMENT B. VIAULT, HERBERT N. SHAW, GEORGE B. HOLDEN, MALCOLM N. NORTON, Vestrymen.

Families 90; Number of persons 250; Baptisms—infant, 7; Confirmations—male 2; Marriages 4; Burials 11; Communicants—number reported last year 164, received 1, admitted 2, died 6, removed 20, dropped or suspended 2, present number—male 42, female 97, total 139; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 100; Sunday School—teachers 8, pupils 50; Church Services—Holy Communion, monthly and Christmas Day. Other services—Sundays, A. M. and P. M.; Fridays, P. M.; Lent—Wednesday, A. M.; daily in Holy Week.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1831, consecrated 1832; value, including furnishings, etc., $15,000; insured for $3,500; title vested in Parish. Rectory, purchased in 1891; value, including fixtures, $2,000; insured for $1,000; title vested in Parish. Endowment funds, total amount $1,730.58; Betsey Canfield fund, held by Trustees of Diocese; fund in Marble Savings Bank, $336.73. Total value of all parish property, $19,067.31. The salary promised to the Rector is $700 a year.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$116 16	Salary paid the Rector,	$570 95
Rents and other income of parish endowment,	176 52	For care of church, etc.,	109 42
Annual subscriptions,	334 10	Insurance,	3 00
Offerings,	428 98	For convention expenses,	30 00
Board of Land Agents,	46 00	All other disbursements,	214 59
		Total for Parish purposes,	$927 96
		Surplus,	173 89
Total income,	$1,101 85		$1,101 85

Communion Alms		$ 5 82
Offerings for objects outside the Parish:		
Diocesan Missions	$75 00	
Other Diocesan uses	5 00	
Total for Diocesan objects		80 00
For Domestic Missions	30 75	
For Foreign Missions	16 25	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	14 00	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		61 00
Sum of all receipts		$1,248 67

IMMANUEL CHURCH, BELLOWS FALLS.

REV. DAVID L. SANFORD, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, October 1, 1889.

JOSHUA H. WEBB, Licensed Lay Reader.

PARISH OFFICERS.

JOSHUA H. WEBB, Senior Warden.

JOHN WYMAN FLINT, Junior Warden.

HENRY BOUTELLE, Secretary of the Vestry.

DANIEL W. LINTON, Treasurer of the Vestry.

JOHN H. WILLIAMS, WILLIAM A. HALL, EMORY H. ROGERS, Vestrymen.

Families 166 ; Number of persons 602 ; Baptisms—adult 6, infant 21, total 27 ; Confirmations—male 4, female 5, total 9 ; Marriages 7 ; Burials 22 ; Communicants—number reported last year 200, received 15, admitted 8, died 8, removed 21, present number—male 60, female 134, total 194 ; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 182; Sunday School—teachers 11, pupils 105; Church Services—Holy Communion, Sundays and other Holy Days. Other services—Sundays, A. M. and P. M; Fridays, P. M.; Advent—Wednesday P. M.; Lent—Tuesday, A. M., Wednesday and Thursday P. M.

N. B. Statistics of Baptisms, Confirmations, Communicants, Marriages and Burials, in this report, cover two convention years.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1807, consecrated 1876; value, including furnishing, etc., $30,000; insured for $14,750; title vested in Parish. Rectory, erected or purchased about 1850; value, including fixtures, $1,500; insured for $1,200; title vested in Parish. Endowment funds, total amount $2,700; Baxter fund, for care of cemetery; Schouler memorial fund, for care of Parish house; Harriet Mead fund, for Parish expenses. Parish house $8,000; insured for $6,250; title vested in Parish. Total value of all Parish property, $42,200.

INDEBTEDNESS—Unpaid Diocesan assessments, $209.18; all other debts, $450; total indebtedness, $659.18. Salary promised to the Rector is $1,200 a year.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year	$ 65 57	Paid deficit of last year,	$ 683 46
Rents and other income of Parish endowment,	180 50	Salary paid the Rector,	1,036 00
Pew rents,	1,579 20	For music,	484 20
Annual subscriptions,	158 16	For care of church, etc.,	298 88
Offerings, for regular Parish expenses,	309 91	Insurance,	50 00
For special Parish purposes,	475 00	For Bishop's salary,	60 00
		All other disbursements,	61 84
		Total for Parish purposes,	$2,664 38
		Surplus,	103 96
Total income,	$2,768 84		$2,768 84

Communion Alms, etc.		$ 75 57
Offerings for objects outside the Parish:		
Diocesan Missions	$58 32	
Bishop's Visitation Fund	75 53	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	8 16	
Other Diocesan uses	60 00	
Total for Diocesan objects		202 01
For Domestic Missions	$25 77	
For Foreign Missions	30 15	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	50 91	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		106 83
Sum of all receipts		$3,152 75

N. B. A box valued at $53.23 was sent for Indian Missions, and one valued at $35 for Colored Missions.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BENNINGTON.

REV. GEORGE LYNDE RICHARDSON, Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector, Easter Day, May 25, 1894.

Instituted 2nd Sunday after Easter, April 8, 1894.

PARISH OFFICERS.

JOHN T. SHURTLEFF, Senior Warden.

HENRY O. HARWOOD, Junior Warden.

HENRY O. HARWOOD, Secretary of the Vestry.

LUMAN P. NORTON, Treasurer of the Vestry.

L. FRED'K ABBOTT, CHAS. C. KIMBALL, CHAS. BARNES, WALTER G. RICHARDSON, J. L. FINN, LUMAN P. NORTON, JOHN H. NORTON, Vestrymen.

Families 104; Number of persons 379; Baptisms—adult 3, infant 8, total 11; Confirmations—male 1, female 1, total 2; Marriages 1; Burials 8; Communicants—number reported last year 171, received 1, admitted 5, died 2, removed 5, dropped or suspended 3, present number—male 50, female 117, total 167; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 150; Sunday School—teachers 16, pupils 85; Church Services—Holy Communion, Sundays and other Holy Days. Other services—Sundays A. M. and P. M.; Fridays, P. M.; Advent, Wednesday, A. M.; Lent, Friday, A. M., daily P. M., including cottage lectures. Catechising, quarterly at Sunday morning service.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1836, consecrated 1839; value, including furnishing, etc., $4,500; not insured; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Rectory, value, including fixtures, $2,003; insured for $1,500; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Endowment funds, total amount $375.14; Hannah Morse legacy; title vested in Rector, Wardens and Vestrymen, $100; Parish House Fund, St. Mary's Guild, $275.14. Total value of all Parish property, $7,167.90. The salary promised to the Rector is $1,000 a year.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 77 64	Salary paid the Rector,	$1,083 33
Annual subscriptions,	1,274 06	For music,	275 00
Offerings, for regular parish expenses,	273 46	For care of church, etc.,	297 77
		Repairs,	36 01
For Parish House Fund,	84 00	Parish House Fund,	124 75
Special gifts of Parishioners,	65 25	For Convention expenses,	42 00
		For Bishop's salary,	20 00
Other aid from without the Parish,	201 00	Expenses of S. S.,	57 10
		All other disbursements,	120 51
Raised by Woman's Auxiliary,	211 01	Total for Parish purposes,	$2,056 47
Offerings of S. S.	52 44	Surplus,	182 39
Total income,	$2,238 86		$2,238 86

Communion Alms		$61 76
Other Alms for the poor of the Parish,		60 20
Offerings for objects outside the Parish,		
Diocesan Missions	$111 00	
Bishop's Visitation Fund	17 64	
Aged and Infirm Clergy, Widows and Orphans of Clergy	4 94	
Total for Diocesan objects		133 58
For Domestic Missions	$18 58	
For Indian Missions	4 10	
For Colored Missions	4 10	
Total for Domestic Missions	$26 78	
For Foreign Missions	18 19	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	16 50	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		61 47
Sum of all receipts		$2,555 87

CALVARY CHURCH, EAST BERKSHIRE.

REV. FOREST H. BLUNT, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, April 24th, 1894.

PARISH OFFICERS.

EZRA B. SMITH, Senior Warden.
CORLISS S. PERLEY, Junior Warden.
HOMER B. LOVERIN, Secretary of the Vestry.
KILES A. PAUL, Treasurer of the Vestry.

KILES A. PAUL, CORLISS S. PERLEY, E. B. SMITH, C. H. STRATTON, H. B. LOVERIN, OLIVER S. JONES, E. W. SMITH, W. B. JOLLY, HOMER S. SMITH, Vestrymen.

Families 29, Number of persons 86; Baptisms—adult 2, infant 3, total 5; Marriages 7; Burials 4; Communicants —number reported last year 41, received 3, present number —male 17, female 27, total 44; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 44; Sunday School—teachers 5, pupils 43; Services—Holy Communion, Sundays and most other Holy days; other services —Sundays A. M. except second Sunday in month, P. M.; Fridays, P. M.; Catechising, monthly.

PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1873, consecrated 1874: value, including furnishing, etc., $6,000; insured for $1,000; title vested in Calvary Church Society, East Berkshire, Vt. Rectory, erected 1858; value, including fixtures, $800; insured for $500; title vested in Calvary Church Society, East Berkshire, Vt. Total value of all Parish property, $6,800. The salary promised to the Rector is $320 a year.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Offerings,	$301 65	Salary paid the Rector,	$320 00
Board of Land Agents,	50 00	For care of church, etc.,	15 00
		Insurance,	6 65
		For convention expenses,	5 00
		For Bishop's salary,	5 00
Total income,	$351 65	Total for Parish purposes,	$351 65

Communion Alms		$5 00
Offerings for objects outside the Parish :		
Diocesan Missions	$22 00	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	1 80	
Other Diocesan uses	5 00	
Total for Diocesan objects		28 80
For Domestic Missions	12 10	
For Indian Missions	27 00	
Total for Missions		39 10
Sum total of all receipts		$429 55

CHRIST CHURCH, BETHEL.

REV. J. B. LEVERETT, M. D., Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, June 1st, 1894.

PARISH OFFICERS.

S. H. CHASE, Senior Warden.

JOHN WILSON, Junior Warden.

GUY WILSON, Secretary of the Vestry.

GUY WILSON, Treasurer of the Vestry.

S. H. CHASE, JOHN WILSON, C. W. CURTISS, M. L. SAFFORD, W. H. CREAMER, G. H. KIMBALL, AARON H. WILSON, GUY WILSON, Vestrymen.

Families 28; Number of persons 93; Baptisms—adult 1; Burials 2; Communicants—number reported last year 58; died 1; removed 1; present number—male 14; female 42; total 56; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 55; Sunday School—teachers 2; pupils 20; Church Services—Holy Communion, monthly, Christmas Day and Ascension Day; Other services—Sundays A. M., once a month P. M.; Fridays P. M.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1846, consecrated 1847; Value, including furnishing, etc., $2,000; Insured for $1,500; Title vested in wardens and vestrymen; Rectory erected in 1895; Value, including fixtures, $1,700; Insured for $1,200; Title vested in wardens and vestrymen; Endowment funds, total amount, $1,750; Lois Smith Fund held by Trustees of Diocese, $1,000; Oliver Flyn Fund held by Trustees of Diocese, $150; Louisa Lillis Fund held by wardens and vestrymen, $600. Total value of all property belonging to the Parish, $5,450.

INDEBTEDNESS—$249.50.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 95 45	Salary paid the Rector,	$ 436 45
Rents and other income of Parish endowment,	114 37	For music,	17 50
Annual subscriptions,	182 25	For care of Church, etc.,	48 05
Offerings,	40 28	Insurance,	18 00
Special gifts of members of the Congregation,	42 00	Increase or improvement of property,	1,720 33
Board of Land Agents,	136 17	For Convention expenses,	12 00
Balance sale of former Rectory,	1450 00	For Bishop's salary,	5 00
Interest on same,	17 12	All other Disbursements,	22 02
Proceeds of Fair,	123 00		
Ladies Guild,	49 59		
Other sources,	28 86		
Total income,	$2,250 29		
Deficiency.	28 86		
	$2,279 35	Total for parish purposes,	$2,279 35

Offerings for Objects outside the Diocese:

Domestic Missions	$25 00	
Foreign Missions	4 90	
Other purposes outside the Diocese	5 00	
Total for Objects outside the Diocese		$34 90
Sum of all Receipts		$2,285 39

The Rectory has been completed and is now occupied. Six stained glass windows have been put in the Church. A concrete walk leading from the Church to the Main Street has been laid.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, BRANDON.

REV. WM. F. WEEKS, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector September 1, 1889.
GEORGE BRIGGS, Licensed Lay Reader.

PARISH OFFICERS.

E. J. ORMSBEE, Senior Warden.
CHARLES W. BRIGGS, Junior Warden.
GEORGE BRIGGS, Secretary of the Vestry.
GEORGE BRIGGS, Treasurer of the Vestry.
E. J. ORMSBEE, CHARLES W. BRIGGS, GEORGE BRIGGS, JOHN P. REED, DAVID J. BROWN,
Vestrymen.

Families 71, Number of persons 208; Baptisms—adult 4, infant 10, total 14; Confirmations—female 5; Marriages 4; Burials 10; Communicants—number reported last year 114, received 1, admitted 5, died 2, removed 7, dropped or suspended 5, present number, male 18, female 88, total 106; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 97; Sunday School—Teachers, 5, pupils 41; Church Services—Holy Communion, Sundays and other Holy days; Other services—Sundays A. M. and P. M.; Fridays P. M.; Advent, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday; Lent, daily A. M. and P. M.; Catechising, monthly at evening prayer.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1861, consecrated 1863; value, including furnishings, etc., $10,000; insured for $3,000; title vested in St. Thomas's Church, Brandon, Vt. Endowment funds, total amount, $850.00; Fund for the support of St. Thomas' Church, Brandon, $750.00; Mrs. Chauncey Conant fund, $100.00;

Other property, Morrill block $5500; Conant house $3000; insured for $5750.00; titled vested in St. Thomas' Church, Brandon, Vt; total value of all Parish Property $20,850.

INDEBTEDNESS—Mortgages $400.00; all other debts of the Parish $49.01; total indebtedness $449.01. The salary promised to the rector is $1000.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 6 70	Salary paid the Rector,	$1041 67
Rents and other income of Parish endowment,	851 00	For Music,	96 39
Annual subscriptions,	95 00	For care of church, etc.,	195 31
Offerings for regular parish expenses,	395 23	Insurance,	65 03
Easter offering,	55 76	Interest on debts,	28 50
Board of Land Agents,	100 00	Increase of property,	55 76
Other aid from without the parish,	20 00	For convention expenses,	24 00
		For Bishop's salary,	10 00
		All other disbursements,	56 95
Total income,	$1524 60		
Deficiency,	49 01		
	$1573 61	Total for Parish purposes,	$1573 61

Communion alms			20 02
Offerings for objects outside the Parish:			
Diocesan Missions	$ 87 77		
Bishop's visitation fund	4 17		
Other Diocesan uses	3 31		
Total for Diocesan objects			45 25
For Domestic Missions	8 48		
Total for Domestic Missions	8 48		
For Foreign Missions	13 38		
For other purposes outside the diocese	12 54		
Total for objects outside the Diocese			34 40
Sum of all receipts			$1624 27

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, BRATTLEBORO.

REV. WM. H. COLLINS, Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector, Easter Day, 1875.

KITTREDGE HASKINS, Licensed Lay Reader.

PARISH OFFICERS.

C. ROYAL TYLER, Senior Warden.

FRANK E. DRAPER, Junior Warden.

ARTHUR W. CHILDS, Secretary of the Vestry.

ARTHUR W. CHILDS, Treasurer of the Vestry.

FREDERICK W. CHILDS, ARTHUR W. CHILDS, JOHN M. HACKLEY, S. FREDERICK GUILD, FRANK D. W. NICHOLS, ANDREW BLEAKLY, WILLIAM R. STARK,
Vestrymen.

Families 70; Number of persons 250; Baptisms—adult 6, infant 6; total 12; Confirmations—female 11; Marriages 5; Burials 4; Communicants—number reported last year 135, received 4, admitted 11, died 6, removed 4, present number—male 28, female 112, total 140; Sunday School—teachers 9, pupils 67; Services—Holy Communion, Sundays and other Holy days; Other services—Sundays, A. M. and P. M.; Advent, Friday P. M.; Lent, Monday, Friday, Saturday; daily in Holy Week.

A litany desk of oak and polished brass has been placed in the Church during the past year, the gift of certain Parishioners as a memorial of their brother.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church erected 1858; value, including furnishings, etc., $16,000; insured for $4,000; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Rectory, erected, or purchased, 1872; value, including fixtures, $5,000; insured for $3,000; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Total value of all Parish property, $21,000. The salary promised to the Rector is $1,100 a year.

INCOME of the Parish :		EXPENDITURES :	
Balance from last year,	$ 5 22	Salary paid the Rector,	$1,134 23
Annual subscriptions,	1,478 58	For music,	336 64
Offerings for regular Parish expenses,	274 08	For care of church, etc.,	110 46
For special Parish purposes,	105 58	Interest on debts,	47 58
		Increase or improvement of property,	189 72
		For convention expenses,	37 50
		For Bishop's salary,	15 00
Total income,	$1,858 56	All other disbursements,	182 18
Deficiency,	184 75		
	$2,043 31	Total for Parish purposes,	$2,043 31

Communion Alms, etc.		$ 132 18
Offerings for objects outside the Parish :		
Diocesan Missions	$80 00	
Bishop's Visitation Fund	17 00	
Aged and Infirm Clergy, Widows and Orphans of Clergy	6 35	
Associated Charities	9 31	
Total for Diocesan objects		$ 112 66
For Domestic Missions	$12 06	
For Foreign Missions	13 06	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	3 31	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		28 43
Sum of all receipts		$2,131 83

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BURLINGTON.

REV. JOSHUA ISHAM BLISS, D. D., Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, April 12, 1885.

REV. GEORGE YEMENS BLISS, Assistant Minister.

PARISH OFFICERS.

DANIEL W. ROBINSON, Senior Warden.

HEMAN W. ALLEN, Junior Warden.

ELIAS LYMAN, Secretary of the Vestry.

HENRY L. WARD, Treasurer of the Vestry.

LE GRAND B. CANNON, DANIEL W. ROBINSON, HEMAN W. ALLEN, HENRY WELLS, ELIAS LYMAN, CHARLES E. ALLEN, JOHN C. FARRAR, Vestrymen.

Families 276; Number of persons 1,097; Baptisms—adult 11, infant 17, total 28; Confirmations—male 13, female 16, total 29; Marriages 10; Burials 20; Communicants—number reported last year 603, received 29, admitted 32, died 7, removed 48, dropped 28, present number—male 186, female 395, total 581; Sunday School—teachers 21, pupils 198; Church Services—Holy Communion, Sundays and other Holy days. Other services—Sundays, A. M. and P. M.; Fridays, P. M.; Lent, Morning and evening prayer, daily. Catechising monthly.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1831, consecrated 1832; chapel, erected 1882; value, including furnishings, etc., $53,000; insured for $33,000; title vested in the Trustees of the Diocese. Rectory, erected 1885; value, including fixtures, $10,000; insured for $6,000; title vested in the Trustees of the Diocese. Endowment funds, total amount, $2,500; $500 held by the Rector as Trustee, income for the poor; $2,000, Mrs. Hannah V. Howard fund, held by the Trustees of the Diocese, income for the poor. Other property—Sexton's house, $2,000; Assistant Minister's house, $5,000; insured for $3,000; title vested in the Trustees of the Diocese. Total value of all Parish property, $72,500.

INDEBTEDNESS—$1,300. This $1,300 is not strictly an indebtedness of the Parish, but is the balance for repairs on a dwelling house given the Parish in 1893, and which is being reduced from time to time by the rent received. The salary promised to the Rector is $2,000 a year. The salary promised to the Assistant Minister is $1,200.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 796 98	Salaries paid the Rector and Assistant Minister,	$3,383 32
Pew rents and annual subscriptions,	5,483 10	For music,	1,659 57
Offerings,	1,041 77	For care of church, etc.,	1,207 65
Special gifts of parishioners,	5,125 00	Insurance,	152 99
		Interest on debts,	96 00
		Reduction of debts,	2,500 00
		Increase or improvement of property,	581 51
		For convention expenses,	140 00
		All other disbursements,	2,625 00
		Total for Parish purposes,	$12,346 04
		Surplus,	100 81
Total income,	$12,446 85		$12,446 85

Communion Alms			$ 705 69
Other Alms for the poor of the Parish			287 00
Offerings for objects outside the Parish:			
Diocesan Missions	$756 94		
Bishop's Visitation Fund	35 24		
Aged and Infirm Clergy, Widows and Orphans of Clergy	32 65		
Other Diocesan uses:			
"Hospital Bed Fund"	69 51		
For Sunday School expenditures	54 12		
For City Mission	40 54		
By the Sunday School	271 46		
Total for Diocesan objects			1,260 40
For Domestic Missions	$ 70 55		
For Colored Missions	20 00		
Total for Domestic Missions	$ 90 55		
For Foreign Missions	85 86		
For other purposes outside the Diocese:			
Armenian relief	110 81		
Society increase of the Ministry	100 60		
Special offering for Western Texas	63 00		
For Church work among the Jews	21 51		
American Church Building Fund	40 00		
Total for objects outside the Diocese			512 33
Sum of all receipts			$15,212 33

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, CHESTER.

REV. JAMES OSWALD DAVIS, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, November 24, 1894.
CHARLES M. WEBB, Licensed Lay Reader.

PARISH OFFICERS.

OSCAR MILLER, Senior Warden.
CHARLES M. WEBB, Junior Warden.
A. N. CHANDLER, Secretary of the Vestry.
MISS STELLA E. ATWOOD, Treasurer of the Vestry.
OSCAR MILLER, CHARLES M. WEBB, A. N. CHANDLER, GEORGE HILTON, LOYAL E. SHERWIN, CHARLES E. HALL, Vestrymen.

Families 45 ; Number of persons 89 ; Baptisms—adult 2, infant 1, total 3 ; Confirmations—male 1, female 2, total 8; Marriage 1 ; Burials 3 ; Communicants—number reported last year 60, admitted 3, died 1, present number—male 9, female 38, total 47 ; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 47 ; Sunday School—teachers 3, pupils 40 ; Church Services—Holy Communion, Sundays, and in warm weather on other Holy days ; Other services—Sundays, A. M. and P. M. ; Fridays, P. M. in Advent and Lent, and during warm weather.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of one wooden Church, erected 1871, consecrated 1871 ; value, including furnishings, etc., $12,000 ; insured for $5,000 ; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Rectory—value, including fixtures, $2,000 ; insured for $1,500 ; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Total value of all Parish property, $14,000.

The salary promised to the Rector is $475 a year.

INCOME of the Parish :		EXPENDITURE :	
Pew rents,	$404 65	Paid deficit of last year,	$ 82 94
Offerings,	27 04	Salary paid the Rector,	479 65
Special gifts,	125 00	For Music,	62 00
Board of Land Agents,	75 00	For care of Church, etc.,	39 00
From Parochial branch Wo. Aux. for current exp's,	216 17	Insurance,	125 00
		For convention expenses,	18 00
		For Bishop's salary,	10 00
		All other disbursements,	31 27
Total income,	$847 86	Total for Parish purposes	$847 86

Communion Alms		$14 49
Offerings for objects outside the Parish:		
Diocesan Missions		$12 29
Domestic Missions	7 31	
Foreign Missions	7 01	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	35	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		14 67
Sum of all receipts		$889 31

CHRIST CHURCH, ENOSBURGH.

REV. EDWARD S. STONE, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, August 1., 1889.
CALEB R. BREWER, Licensed Lay Reader.

PARISH OFFICERS.

CALEB R. BREWER, Senior Warden.

FRANCIS A. CASSIDY, Junior Warden.

VAN E. PERLEY, Secretary of the Vestry.

JOHN R. CASSIDY, Treasurer of the Vestry.

CALEB R. BREWER, FRANCIS A. CASSIDY, JOHN R. CASSIDY, VAN E. PERLEY,
Vestrymen.

Families 20; Number of persons 56; Baptisms—infant 1; Burial 1; Communicants—number reported last year 29; removed 3; dropped or suspended 1; present number, male 7, female 18, total 25; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 23; Sunday School—Tehchers 2, pupils 17; Church Services—Holy Communion, 1st Sunday in month and on six Holy days; Other Services—Sundays, 1st Sunday in month, A. M., the other Sundays, p. m.; Advent and Lent, Wednesday.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church erected 1861, consecrated 1862; value, including furnishings, etc., $2,000; insured for $1,500; title vested in Parish of Christ Church. Endowment funds, total amount, $267.12; Samantha Cramton fund $200; Endowment fund of Christ Church $67.12. Both are held by the Trustees of Diocese. Total value of all Parish Property $2,267.12. The salary promised to the Rector is $325.20.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 1 25	Salary paid the Rector,	$322 26
Rents and other income of Parish Endowment,	10 00	For care of Church, etc.,	15 70
Annual Subscriptions,	117 26	Insurance,	5 63
Offerings:—		Increase of Endowments,	10 10
(a) For regular Parish expenses,	18 60	For Convention expenses,	4 50
(b) For special Parish purposes,	24 53	All other disbursements,	8 80
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	100 00	Total for Parish purposes,	$366 99
From the Board of Land Agents,	95 00	Surplus,	5 42
Glebe Land,	5 77		
Total income,	$372 41		$372 41

Communion Alms		$ 4 91
Offerings for Objects outside the Parish:		
Diocesan Missions	$24 70	
Bishop's Visitation Fund	1 85	
Aged and Infirm Clergy, Widows and Orphans of Clergy,	95	
Total for Diocesan Objects		27 50
For Domestic Missions	6 45	
For Foreign Missions	3 70	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	5 50	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		15 65
Sum of all receipts		$420 47

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, ENOSBURGH FALLS.

REV. EDWARD S. STONE, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, August 1, 1889.

HENRY AUGUSTUS CRAMTON, Licensed Lay Reader.

PARISH OFFICERS.

WILLIAM R. HUTCHINSON, Senior Warden.
CARMI L. MARSH, Junior Warden.
HENRY B. DICKINSON, Secretary of the Vestry.
EDWARD J. TYLER, Treasurer of the Vestry.
A. R. BELL, H. A. CRAMTON, A. J. DARRAH, H. B. DICKINSON, B. F. FASSETT, W. R. HUTCHINSON, C. L. MARSH, W. H. MCALLISTER, J. H. MEARS, D. B. STETSON, E. J. TYLER,
Vestrymen.

Families 56; Number of persons 182; Baptisms—adult 11, infant 21, total 32; Confirmations—male 2, female 5, total 7; Marriages 4; Burials 5; Communicants—number reported last year 100, received 2, admitted 7, removed 8, present number—male 29, female 72, total 101; number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 95; Sunday School—teachers 5, pupils 60; Church Services—Holy Communion, Sundays and other Holy days, Fridays, and in Advent and Lent, Wednesdays also; Other services—Sundays A. M. and P. M; morning and evening prayer daily throughout the year. Catechising monthly.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1871, consecrated 1874; value, including furnishings, etc., $3,000; insured for $2,250; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Rectory, erected 1887; value, including fixtures, $2,500; insured for $1,000; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese; other property—Rectory stable, $300; insured for $200; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Total value of all Parish property, $5,800.

INDEBTEDNESS—$50. The salary promised to the Rector, including part paid by Christ Church, Enosburgh, is $900.00 a year.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Annual subscriptions and offerings for regular Parish expenses,	$583 33	Salary paid the Rector,	$612 93
For special Parish purposes,	73 75	For Music,	20 00
Board of Land Agents,	95 00	For care of Church,	26 90
Glebe land,	5 78	Insurance,	14 79
		For convention expenses,	15 00
		For Bishop's salary,	5 00
		All other disbursements,	63 24
Total income,	$757 86	Total for Parish purposes,	$757 86

Communion Alms			$10 32
Offerings for objects outside the Parish:			
Diocesan Missions	$36 85		
Bishop's Visitation Fund	5 73		
Aged and Infirm Clergy	2 65		
Total for Diocesan objects			45 23
For Domestic Missions	10 60		
For Foreign Missions	14 55		
For other purposes outside the Diocese	26 50		
Total for objects outside the Diocese			51 65
*Sum of all receipts			$865 06

CHRIST CHURCH, GUILFORD.

REV. WILLIAM H. COLLINS, Priest in Charge.

PARISH OFFICERS.

JOSEPH M. HOUGHTON, Senior Warden.

WILLIAM H. JACOBS, Junior Warden.

JOSEPH M. HOUGHTON, Secretary of the Vestry.

JOSEPH M. HOUGHTON, Treasurer of the Vestry.

WILLIAM H. JACOBS, JOSEPH M. HOUGHTON, GEORGE E. HOUGHTON, Vestrymen.

Families 8; Number of persons 20; Burial 1; Communicants—number reported last year 12, removed 1, present number—male 2, female 9, total 11; Church Services—Holy Communion, monthly. Other services—On alternate Sundays from May to October.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1818, consecrated 1819; value, including furnishings, etc., $4,000; insured for $2,200; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Rectory, erected 1849; value, including fixtures, $1,200; insured for $800; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Total value of all Parish property, $5,200.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Offerings,	$21 31	Salary paid the Rector,	$71 31
Received for rental of Rectory and other sources,	72 00	For care of church, etc.,	70 00
		For Bishop's salary,	2 00
From the Board of Land Agents,	50 00		
Total income,	$143 31	Total for Parish purposes,	$143 31

Offerings for objects outside the Parish:

Diocesan Missions	$10 00	
Bishop's Visitation Fund	7 00	
Total for Diocesan objects		17 00
Sum of all receipts		$160 31

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, HIGHGATE.

REV. GEORGE A. WILKINS, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, November 1, 1894.

PARISH OFFICERS.

CHARLES A. SKEELS, Senior Warden.

JOSEPH G. PATTERSON, Junior Warden.

CORTEZ L. HERRICK, Secretary of the Vestry.

CORTEZ L. HERRICK, Treasurer of the Vestry.

CORTEZ L. HERRICK, Vestryman.

Families 10; Number of persons 50; Baptisms—infant 6; Confirmations—female 3; Marriages 3; Burial 1; Communicants—number reported last year 27, admitted 3, removed 8, dropped 2, present number—male 4, female 16, total 20; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 16. Sunday School—teachers 3, pupils 17. Number of youth within the cure pursuing liberal studies with a view to the ministry 1. Church Services—Holy Communion, first Sunday in month, Christmas Day and Ascension Day. Other services—Sundays, A. M.; Advent and Lent, Fridays, P. M.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1830; consecrated 1834; value, including furnishings, etc., $1,200; insured for $1,200; title vested in Wardens and Vestrymen. Endowment funds—An annuity of $50 from the Keyes estate to "the settled minister of the Parish."

INDEBTEDNESS—Unpaid Diocesan assessments, $11.60; all other debts of the Parish, $43.00; total indebtedness, $54.60. The salary promised to the Rector is $400 a year.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Offerings,	$ 20 80	Salary paid the Rector,	$307 00
Special gifts of parishioners,	19 00	For music,	2 20
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	100 00	For care of church, etc.,	18 60
From the Board of Land Agents,	98 00	Insurance,	8 00
Other sources,	8 00		
Total income,	$335 80	Total for Parish purposes,	$335 80

Communion Alms $6 20

Offerings for objects outside the Parish:

Diocesan Missions	$3 40
Bishop's Visitation Fund	2 40
Aged and Infirm Clergy	60
Widows and Orphans of Clergy	60

Total for Diocesan objects		$ 7 00
For Domestic Missions	$1 00	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		1 00
Sum of all receipts		$352 00

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, HYDEVILLE.

REV. W. PARRY THOMAS, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector November 30, 1896.

PARISH OFFICERS.

THOMAS H. METCALF, Senior Warden.
THOMAS HUGHES, Junior Warden.
R. W. HYDE, Secretary of the Vestry.
CHARLES F. METCALF, Treasurer of the Vestry.
G. W. CALLOWAY, C. R. GRISWOLD, F. VAN YEM,
Vestrymen.

Families 18; Number of persons 100; Baptisms, adult 1, infant 7, total 8; Confirmations, male 1, female 1, total 2; Burials 3; Communicants—male 13, female 19, total 32; Sunday School—teachers, 2, pupils 13; Number of youth within the cure pursuing liberal studies with a view to the ministry 1; Services—Holy Communion, on second and fourth Sundays in month and on Christmas Day; Other services—Sundays, second and fourth Sundays in month, A. M., the other Sundays P. M.; Lent, Thursday P. M.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church erected 1843, consecrated 1844; value, including furnishings, etc., $3,500; insured for $1,750; title vested in St. James's Episcopal Association, Hydeville; total value of all Parish property, $3,500.

Indebtedness—$60. The salary promised to the Rector is $210 a year.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 7 49	Salary paid the Rector,	$244 12
Annual subscriptions,	95 45	For care of Church,	6 80
Offerings for regular parish expenses,	46 77	Insurance,	17 50
For special parish purposes,	69 78	Interest on debts,	2 62
Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	100 00	Reduction of debts,	26 00
Board of Land Agents,	50 00	Increase or improvement of property,	25 00
		For convention expenses,	5 00
		For Bishop's salary,	8 00
		All other disbursements	25 82
		Total for parish purposes,	$360 86
		Surplus,	8 63
Total income,	$369 49		$369 49

Offerings for objects outside the Parish:		
Diocesan Missions	$17 50	
Bishop's visitation fund	3 68	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	2 00	
Total for Diocesan objects		23 18
For Foreign Missions	3 00	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		3 00
Sum of all receipts		$ 395 67

CHRIST CHURCH, ISLAND POND.

REV. ALFRED ARTHUR VINCENT BINNINGTON, Priest in Charge.

Assumed charge July 7, 1895.

PARISH OFFICERS.

W. B. CAUSEBROOK, Senior Warden.

W. H. BISHOP, Junior Warden.

JAMES STRATHRON, Secretary of the Vestry.

JAMES STRATHRON, Treasurer of the Vestry.

J. WILLOUGHBY, W. B. CAUSEBROOK, W. H. BISHOP, J. REEVE, J. THURSTON, J. W. THURSTON, J. STRATHRON, Vestrymen.

Families 40, Number of persons 250; Baptisms—infant 7; Confirmations—Female 8; Marriages 2; Communicants—number reported last year 68, admitted 6, removed 4, present number, male 12, female 38, total 50; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 40; Sunday School—teachers 3, pupils 20; Services—Holy Communion, alternate Sundays and Christmas-day; Other services—Sundays, A. M. and P. M.; Lent, Fridays P. M.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1874, consecrated 1880; value, including furnishings, etc., $7,000; insured for $3,000; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese; other property—Lot of land $180.50; cash in bank, $370.12; title vested in Rector and Wardens. Total value of all parish property, $7,550.62.

INDEBTEDNESS—$136.00. The salary promised to the Rector is $800 a year.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year	$ 43 63	Salary paid the Rector and other clergy,	$ 669 57
Annual subscriptions,	375 80	For music,	41 25
Offerings, for regular Parish expenses,	97 44	Insurance,	52 50
For Sunday School,	6 64	Interest on debts,	50
Special gifts of Parishioners,	10 00	Reduction of debts,	127 69
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	259 50	Increase or improvement of property,	39 82
From the Board of Land Agents,	62 60	For convention expenses,	9 00
Other sources,	131 50	All other disbursements,	25 84
Total income,	$ 987 13	Total for Parish purposes,	$ 966 17
		Surplus,	20 96
			$ 987 13

Communion Alms		$ 27 91
Offerings for objects outside the Parish:		
Diocesan Missions	$37 50	
Bishop's Visitation Fund	7 14	
Total for Diocesan objects		44 64
For Domestic Missions	$ 4 00	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		4 00
Sum of all receipts		$1,063 68

ZION CHURCH, MANCHESTER CENTER.

REV. CHARLES SMITH LEWIS, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, September 22, 1895.

EDMOND LEWIS WYMAN, JOHN H. WHIPPLE, Licensed Lay Readers.

PARISH OFFICERS.

EDMOND LEWIS WYMAN, Senior Warden.

JOHN H. WHIPPLE, Junior Warden.

CHARLES L. DENCH, Secretary of the Vestry.

CHARLES B. ROWE, Treasurer of the Vestry.

EDMOND L. WYMAN, JOHN H. WHIPPLE, CHARLES B. ROWE, CHARLES U. WAY, ISAAC HENRY DENCH, CHARLES L. DENCH, CHARLES E. YOUNG, EMMET TUTTLE, Vestrymen.

Families 57 ; Number of persons 160 ; Baptisms—adult 3, infant 20, total 23 ; Burials 5 ; Communicants—number reported last year 88, received 4, admitted 1, died 1, removed 6, dropped or suspended 2, present number—male 26, female 69, total 95 (including 11 who through error were not reported last year) ; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 80; Sunday School —teachers 6, pupils 40; Church Services—Holy Communion, Sundays and Holy Days and Thursdays in Lent. Other services—Sundays A. M. and P. M.; Wednesdays, P. M.; Lent, Saturday, P. M. Catechising, monthly.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1820, consecrated 1821; value, including furnishing, etc., $5,400; insured for $3,000; title vested in Wardens and Vestrymen. Rectory, erected 1886; value, including fixtures, $2,200; insured for $1,500; title vested in Wardens and Vestrymen. Endowment funds, total amount $5,000; $500 held in trust by the Wardens and Vestrymen ; $4,500

bequest from Mrs. H. H. Baxter, held by E. L. Wyman as Trustee. Total value of all Parish property, $12,600. The salary promised to the Rector is $650 a year.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Rents and other income of parish endowment,	$130 68	Paid deficit of last year,	$ 39 50
Offerings, for regular parish expenses,	529 82	Salary paid the Rector,	*476 50
For special Parish purposes,	31 79	For music,	7 18
Special gifts of Parishioners,	172 01	For Sunday School,	31 79
Board of Land Agents,	41 68	For care of Church, etc.,	88 35
Other aid from without the Parish,	50 00	Insurance,	30 00
Friends outside the Parish,	68 00	Improvement of property,	229 69
Bequest, Mrs. H. H. Baxter,	4,560 09	Increase of endowments,	4,500 00
		For convention expenses,	21 00
		All other disbursements,	94 79
		Total for Parish purposes,	$5,560 80
		Surplus,	23 18
Total income,	$5,523 98		$5,523 98

Communion Alms			$41 21
Offerings for objects outside the Parish,			
Diocesan Missions	$61 95		
Bishop's Visitation Fund	9 37		
Aged and Infirm Clergy	1 00		
Total for Diocesan objects		72 32	
For Domestic Missions	44 51		
For Colored Missions	5 00		
Total for Domestic Missions		49 51	
For Foreign Missions	52 46		
For other purposes outside the Diocese	3 60		
Total for objects outside the Diocese		104 57	
Sum of all receipts			$5,742 08

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, MIDDLEBURY.

REV. DAVID A. BONNAR, Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector Nov. 7th 1895.

*There was a vacancy in the Rectorship for some months during the summer.

PARISH OFFICERS.

NOBLE S. DEWEY, Senior Warden.

BRAINARD H. LANE, Junior Warden.

HENRY L. SHELDON, Secretary of the Vestry.

MILTON A. BROOKS, Treasurer of the Vestry.

E. WARNER JUDD, EDWARD P. RUSSELL, ERNEST E. RICH, Vestrymen.

Number of persons about 200; Baptisms—adult 1, infant 11, total 12; Marriages 1; Burials 9; Communicants —number reported last year 137, admitted 1, died 3, removed 10, dropped 5, present number—male 39, female 81, total 119; Number of those who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 70; Sunday Schools—Pupils 13; Church Services—Holy Communion Sundays and Holy Days and Thursdays in Lent; Other services—Sundays A. M., and P.M., Wednesdays P. M., Advent and Lent, Morning and Evening Prayer daily.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1827, consecrated 1827; value, including furnishings, etc., $10,000.00; insured for $4,000.00; title vested in Trustees of Diocese; Rectory purchased 1838; value, including fixtures, $1,000.00; insured for $1,000.00; title vested in "The First Episcopal Society," in Addison County. Endowment funds, total amount $9,600.00; Platt fund, held by Vestry, $6,000.00; Clarke fund, held by Vestry, $100.00; Conant fund, held by Trustees of the Diocese, $3,500.00. Total value of all Parish property $20,600.00.

INDEBTEDNESS—Mortgages or other liens on property, $700.00; all other debts of the Parish, $598.68; total indebtedness, $1298.68. The salary promised to the Rector is $800.00 a year.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$106 23	Salary paid the Rector,	$759 32
Rents and other income of Parish endowment,	600 18	For music,	111 45
Offerings:		For care of Church, etc.,	91 43
For regular Parish expenses,	427 81	Interest on debts,	57 75
For special Parish purposes,	248 35	Reduction on debts,	81 51
Special gifts of Parishioners,	15 00	Improvement of property,	8 39
Other sources:	10 70	For convention expenses,	35 00
		For Bishop's salary,	5 00
Total income from all sources,	$1408 27	All other disbursements,	180 35
		Total for Parish purposes,	$1330 20
		Surplus,	78 07
			$1408 27

Offerings for objects outside the Parish,		
Diocesan Missions	$ 47 95	
Bishop's Visitation fund	4 08	
Total for Diocesan objects		52 03
For Domestic Missions	3 39	
For Foreign Missions	3 38	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	1 10	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		7 87
Sum of all receipts,		$1468 17

UNION CHURCH, MONTGOMERY.

REV. F. H. BLUNT, Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector, March 7th, 1894.

PARISH OFFICERS.

J. C. GOODSPEED, Senior Warden.

F. F. RAWSON, Junior Warden.

O. N. KELTON, Secretary of the Vestry.

O. N. KELTON, Treasurer of the Vestry.

J. C. GOODSPEED, F. F. RAWSON, C. P. CLAPP, GEO. HEAD, O. N. KELTON, C. F. RAWSON, ALEX SNODGRASS.

Vestrymen.

Families 27; Number of persons 82; Baptisms—adult 1, infant 12, total 13; Confirmations—male 2, female 2, total 4; Communicants—number reported last year 42, received 1, admitted 4, removed 4, present number—male 9, female 34, total 43; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 41; Sunday School—teachers 5, pupils 28; Church Services—Holy Communion, second Sunday of the month. Other services —Second Sunday in month, A. M. Other Sundays, P. M.; Advent and Lent—Wednesday, P. M.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1829, consecrated 1835; value, including furnishing, etc., $4,000; insured for $2,000; title vested in Union Church Society, Montgomery, Vt. Other property $300. Total value of all Parish property, $4,300. The salary promised to the Rector is $280 a year.

INCOME OF THE PARISH:		EXPENDITURES:	
Balance from last year,	$ 67 70	Salary paid the Rector,	$280 00
Offerings,	222 15	For care of Church, etc.,	41 85
From the Board of Land Agents,	75 00	Insurance,	12 00
		Increase or improvement on property,	21 00
		For convention expenses,	5 00
		For Bishop's salary,	5 00
Total income,	$364 85	Total for Parish purposes,	$364 85

Offerings for objects outside the Parish,

Diocesan Missions	$ 20 00	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	1 10	
Total for Diocesan objects		21 10
For Domestic Missions	5 00	
For Colored Missions	10 00	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		15 00
Sum of all receipts		$400 95

CHRIST CHURCH, MONTPELIER.

REV. A. N. LEWIS, M. A., Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, October 1, 1891.

PARISH OFFICERS.

CHARLES DEWEY, Senior Warden.

FRED E. SMITH, Junior Warden.

O. D. CLARKE, Secretary of the Vestry.

THOMAS DEWEY, Treasurer of the Vestry.

EDWARD DEWEY, L. P. GLEASON, GEORGE E. TAPLIN, E. D. BLACKWELL, WILLARD HOLDEN, G. B. B. DENNY, GEORGE BRAINERD, JOSEPH A. DEBOER, SAMUEL A. MOSS, Vestrymen.

Families 98; Number of persons 352; Baptisms—adult 4, infant 9, total 13; Confirmations—male 5, female 3, total 8; Marriages 7; Burials 13; Communicants—number reported last year 207, received 9, admitted 8, died 4, removed 22, dropped 8, present number—male 59, female 131, total 190; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 175. Sunday School—teachers 10, pupils 104. Church Services—Holy Communion, first and third Sundays in month, and usually on Holy Days. Other services—Sundays, A. M. and P. M.; Fridays, P. M.; Lent, Wednesdays and Fridays, both afternoon and evening; twice daily in Holy Week. Catechising, monthly.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1868, consecrated 1868; value, including furnishings, etc., $30,000; insured for $10,000; title vested in Wardens and Vestrymen. Rectory, purchased in 1884; value, including fixtures, $5,000; insured for $3,000; title vested in Wardens and Vestrymen. Total value of all parish property, $35,000.

INDEBTEDNESS—Mortgages or other liens on the lot adjoining the church, $1,700. The salary promised to the Rector is $1,200 a year.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 482 14	Salary paid the Rector,	$1,200 00
Rents and other income of Parish endowment,	314 70	For music.	701 75
Pew rents,	1,596 86	For care of church, etc.,	383 78
Offerings for regular parish expenses,	356 50	Insurance,	35 00
For special parish purposes,	992 03	Interest on debts,	170 00
Special gifts of Parishioners,	92 50	Reduction of debts,	801 75
Gospel fund, two years,	38 27	Improvement of property,	116 18
		For Convention expenses,	75 00
		All other disbursements,	92 50
		Total for Parish purposes,	$3,793 23
		Surplus,	79 75
Total income,	$3,872 9		$3,872 98

Communion Alms			$ 97 31
Other Alms for the poor of the Parish			25 50
Offerings for objects outside the Parish:			
Diocesan Missions		$201 96	
Bishop's Visitation Fund		21 25	
Other Diocesan uses		513 14	
Total for Diocesan objects			736 35
General Missions		89 36	
Other purposes outside the Diocese		23 57	
Total for Objects outside the Diocese			112 93
Sum of all Receipts			$4,845 07

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, NORTHFIELD.

REV. GEO. J. SUTHERLAND, Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector, June, 1896.

Licensed Lay Reader, HOMER FLINT.

PARISH OFFICERS.

Dr. GEO. NICHOLS, Senior Warden.

T. A. WILEY, Junior Warden.

FRANK L. HOWE, Secretary of the Vestry.

Dr. GEO. NICHOLS, Treasurer of the Vestry.

DR. GEO. NICHOLS, T. A. WILEY, F. L. HOWE, F. N. WHITNEY, HENRY FERRIS, J. B. JOHNSON, JOHN MCCORMICK, ARTHUR G. ANDREWS, Vestrymen.

Families 39, number of persons 104; Baptisms—adult 3; infant 8, total 11; Marriage 1; Burials 4; Communicants—number reported last year 60, received 4, died 1, removed 4, dropped 4, present number, male 20, female 35, total 55; number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 47; Sunday School—teachers 6, pupils 50; Church Services—Holy Communion first and third Sundays in the month and most Holy days; other services—Sundays, A. M. and P. M; Wednesdays, P. M; Advent and Lent, Fridays P. M.; Holy Week, daily. Catechising monthly.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1857, consecrated 1857; value, including fur ishing, etc., $5,000; insured for $4,000; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Rectory erected, or purchased, in 1889; value, including fixtures, $2,500; insured for $1,500; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese; endowment fund, $1,100,—L. M. Thayer fund, held by Trustees of the Diocese; other property—Parish house, $800; insured for $500; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Total value of all property belonging to the Parish, $9,400.

INDEBTEDNESS,—$578.93. The salary promised to the Rector is $700 a year.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 1 14	Salary paid the Rector,	$718 16
Rents and other income of Parish endowment	222 50	For Music,	78 65
Annual subscriptions	255 00	For care of Church, etc.,	87 42
Offerings,	420 66	Insurance,	20 70
Board of Land Agents	75 00	Interest on debts,	15 00
		Increase or improvement of property,	134 31
Total income,	$974 30	For convention expenses,	15 00
Deficiency	89 94		
	$1,064 24	Total for Parish purposes,	1,064 24

Communion Alms		$4 51
Offerings—Diocesan Missions	$44 00	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	1 00	
Widows and orphans of Clergy	1 00	
Other Diocesan uses	22 02	
Total for Diocesan objects		68 02
For Domestic Missions	12 14	
For Colored Missions	4 58	
Total for Domestic Missions		16 72
Foreign Missions	12 14	
For all other uses	3 25	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		32 11
Sum of all receipts		$1,188 63

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, POULTNEY.

REV. EDWARD H. RANDALL, Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector, Advent. 1869.

Instituted, 1870.

J. ROSS ROBERTS, Middletown Springs, Licensed Lay Reader.

PARISH OFFICERS.

SETH B. WOODWORTH, Senior Warden.

W. B. PRINDLE, Junior Warden.

ARTHUR E. HORTON, Treasurer of the Vestry.

SETH B. WOODWORTH, W. B. PRINDLE, ARTHUR E. HORTON,
E. D. ELLIS, M. D., ERNEST J. BOYCE,
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Total Expenditure:	
Paid deficit of last year,	$ 35 00
Salary Paid the Rector,	825 00
For music,	28 75
For care of Church, etc.,	40 00
Reduction of debts,	17 80
For convention expenses,	30 00
For Bishop's salary,	5 00
All other disbursements,	75 84
Total for Parish purposes,	$1,057 39

Communion Alms		$ 3 38
Other Alms for the poor of the Parish		14 00
Offerings for objects outside the Parish,		
Diocesan Missions	$ 75 55	
Bishop's Visitation Fund	2 77	
Other Diocesan uses	21 95	
Total for Diocesan objects		100 27
For Domestic Missions	52 89	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	2 01	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		54 90
Sum of all receipts		$1,229 94

N. B. Offerings for Missions or outside of Diocese sent to General Treasurer to use as the Board might deem wisest.

GRACE CHURCH, RANDOLPH CENTER.

REV. HOMER WHITE, S. T. D., Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, April 9, 1893.

PARISH OFFICERS.

JAMES C. FARGO, Senior Warden.

WILLIAM E. BLODGETT, Junior Warden.

HENRY C. GILBERT, Secretary of the Vestry.

JAMES W. FARGO, Treasurer of the Vestry.

JAMES C. FARGO, WILLIAM E. BLODGETT, HENRY C. GILBERT, MELZAR WOODBURY, LUKE PARISH, H. CLOSSON GILBERT, GEORGE B. GILBERT, Vestrymen.

Families 16; Number of persons 50; Baptism—adult 1; Confirmation—female 1; Communicants—number reported last year 41, admitted 1, removed 2, present number—male 8, female 32, total 40; number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 32; Sunday School—teachers 2, pupils 12; Number of youth within the cure pursuing liberal studies with a view to the

ministry 2; Church Services—Holy Communion, second Sunday in month. Other services—second Sunday in month, A. M., other Sundays, P. M.; Lent, Ash Wednesday and Fridays.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1848, consecrated 1848; Value, including furnishing, etc., $3,000; Insured for $2,000; Title vested in the Bishop. Endowment funds, total amount, $600; Kinsman fund $500, Olivia Gay fund $100, both held by Vestry. Total value of all Parish property, $3.600. The salary promised to the Rector is $400 a year.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 5 25	Salary paid the Rector,	$400 00
Rents and other income of Parish endowment,	36 00	For music,	5 00
Annual subscriptions,	115 00	For care of church, etc.,	35 00
Offerings for regular Parish expenses,	64 00	Insurance,	12 00
For special Parish purposes,	15 17	Increase or improvement of property,	30 42
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	175 00	For convention expenses,	6 00
Board of Land Agents,	75 00	For Bishop's salary,	5 00
Other aid from without the Parish,	8 00		
Total income,	$493 42	Total for parish purposes,	$493 42

Offerings for Objects outside the Parish:

Diocesan Missions	$25 00	
Bishop's Visitation Fund	2 51	
Other Diocesan uses	2 00	
Total for Diocesan objects		29 51
For Domestic Missions	2 74	
For Indian Missions	17 50	
For Colored Missions	9 00	
Total for Domestic Missions	29 24	
For Foreign Missions	2 74	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	5 40	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		37 38
Sum of all receipts		$560 31

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, RANDOLPH.

REV. HOMER WHITE, S. T. D., Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector April 9, 1893.

JOS. D. DENISON, Licensed Lay Reader.

PARISH OFFICERS.

LEWIS P. THAYER, Senior Warden.

JOHN F. PARSONS, Junior Warden.

J. D. DENISON, Secretary of the Vestry.

JOHN W. BURT, Treasurer of the Vestry.

L. P. THAYER, J. F. PARSONS, J. W. BURT, E. L. SOPER,
J. W. HALE, J. W. GABRIELLE, J. F. HOBART.
M. L. SCOTT, W. E. MARTIN, J. B. PUTNAM,
M. M. WILSON,
Vestrymen.

Families 28; Number of persons 69; Baptisms—adult 1, infant 1, total 2; Confirmations—female 2; marriage 1; burials 8; Communicants—Number reported last year 56; received 1; admitted 2; removed 5; present number—male 14, female 40, total 54; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 44; Sunday School—Teachers 3, pupils 18; Church Services—Holy Communion first Sunday in the month and Christmas Day; Other Services, Sundays A. M., Lent, Wednesdays P. M. and Good Friday.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1867; Consecrated 1869; value, including furnishings, etc., $2,000; insured for $1,500; title vested in the Bishop. Endowment funds—Total amount $428.43; Total value of all Parish property $2428.43.

INDEBTEDESS—$105.96. The salary promised to the Rector is $600.00 a year.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 8 01	Salary paid the Rector,	$494 04
Rents and other income of Parish Endowment,	5 27	For music,	52 00
Annual subscriptions,	512 89	For care of Church, etc.,	33 00
Offerings:		Insurance,	7 00
For regular parish expenses,	117 00	Increase of Endowments,	115 27
For special parish purposes,	70 52	For convention expenses,	10 00
From the Board of Land Agents,	75 00	For Bishop's salary,	15 00
Other sources,	8 14	All other disbursements,	70 52
Total income,	$796 83	Total for Parish purposes,	$796 83

Offerings for objects outside the Parish,		
Diocesan Missions	$ 30 00	
Bishop's Visitation Fund	3 36	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	1 30	
Other Diocesan uses	8 00	
Total for Diocesan objects		43 66
For Domestic Missions	7 33	
For Colored Missions	87 00	
Total for Domestic Missions		94 33
For Foreign Missions	7 33	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	4 20	
		11 53
Sum of all receipts		$945 35

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, ROYALTON.

REV. J. B. TREVETT, M. D., Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, June 1, 1894.

PARISH OFFICERS.

O. C DENISON, Senior Warden.

A. G. WHITTAM, Junior Warden.

O. C. DENISON, Secretary of the Vestry.

C. H. WOODARD, Treasurer of the Vestry.

O C. DENISON, A. G. WHITTAM, CHARLES C. WOODARD, Vestrymen.

Families 14; Number of persons 50: Marriage 1; Burial 1; Communicants—number reported last year 31, received 2, present number—male 9, female 24, total 33; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 31; Church Services—Holy communion, fourth Sunday in month. Other services—Sundays P. M., and fourth Sunday in month, A. M.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1837, consecrated 1837; value, including furnishing, etc., $1,200; insured for $1,000; title vested in the Parish. The salary promised to the Rector is $150 a year.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 34 37	Salary paid the Rector,	$150 00
Offerings,	140 73	For convention expenses,	5 00
Board of Land Agents,	60 00	For Bishop's salary,	3 00
		All other disbursements,	20 00
		Total for Parish purposes,	$178 00
		Surplus,	24 25
Total income,	$235 10		$202 25

Offerings for objects outside the Parish:

Diocesan Missions		$15 00
Domestic Missions	$7 43	
Foreign Missions	8 42	
For all other uses	2 00	
		17 85
Total outside the Diocese		32 85
Sum of all receipts		$235 10

TRINITY CHURCH, RUTLAND.

REV. THEODORE BOGERT FOSTER, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, March 15, 1896.

REV. ARTHUR WILLIAM STONE, Assistant Minister.

EDWARD LOWE TEMPLE, Licensed Lay Reader.

PARISH OFFICERS.

GEORGE R. BOTTUM, Senior Warden.

LEVI G. KINGSLEY, Junior Warden.

ORLANDO WOOSTER, Secretary of the Vestry.

JOHN N. WOODFIN, Treasurer of the Vestry.

GEORGE R. BOTTUM, LEVI G. KINGSLEY, JOHN N. WOODFIN, CHARLES E. ROSS, GEORGE T. CHAFFEE, BENJ. H. BURT, EDWARD L. TEMPLE, HUGH N. BAXTER, ORLANDO WOOSTER, CHARLES KRANS, JOHN N. BAXTER, Vestrymen.

Families 219; Number of persons 928; Baptisms—adult 18, infant 26, total 44; Confirmation—female 1; Marriages 14; Burials 18; Communicants—number reported last year 600, received 18, admitted 1, died 11, removed 2, dropped or suspended 33, present number—male 181, female 392, total 573; Sunday School—teachers 9, pupils 170. Number of youth within the cure pursuing liberal studies with a view to the ministry, 2. Church services—Holy Communion, Sundays, Thursdays and Holy days, except Good Friday and Easter Even. Other services—Sundays, A. M. and P. M.; Evening Prayer, daily; Litany, Wednesdays and Fridays, A. M.; Lent, Morning Prayer daily.

The present report is probably incomplete as regards the statement of offerings for Missions outside the Diocese, and for other objects outside the Parish, this imperfection being due to the fact that the Rector has been in charge only since March 15. It is proper to add that the communicants reported as "dropped"—thirty-three in number—are, all of them, "persons who have definitely removed from the place."

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1803; consecrated 1805; value, including furnishing, etc., $50,000; insured for $22,000; title vested in

Trustees of the Diocese. Rectory, purchased 1882; value, including fixtures, $8,000; insured for $4,000; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Endowment funds, total amount, $7,500; "Mary E. Baxter" fund, $7,500; George R. Bottum, Levi G. Kingsley, trustees. Other property—Parish House fund, $1,300; J. H. Woodfin, treasurer. Total value of all Parish property, $66,800. The salary promised the Rector is $1,800 a year.

INCOME of the Parish :		EXPENDITURE :	
Balance from last year,	$ 192 46	Salaries paid the Rector,	$1,792 00
Pew rents,	3,086 01	For music,	895 00
Offerings for regular Parish expenses,	239 77	For care of church, etc.,	250 00
For special Parish purposes,	347 27	Insurance,	225 00
Special gifts of parishioners,	400 00	Fuel,	300 47
		Interest on debts,	60 00
		Lighting,	185 00
		Increase or improvement of property,	850 00
		For convention expenses,	125 00
Total income.	$4,265 51	All other disbursements,	780 82
Deficiency.	1,197 78		
	$5,463 29	Total for Parish purposes,	$5,463 29

Communion Alms		$104 40
Offerings for objects outside the Parish :		
Diocesan Missions	$140 50	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	5 00	
Total for Diocesan objects		145 50
For Domestic Missions	25 00	
By the Sunday School	29 59	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		54 59
Sum of all receipts		$4,570 00

GRACE CHURCH, WEST RUTLAND.

REV. THEODORE B. FOSTER, in charge.

Assumed charge March 15, 1896.

REV. ARTHUR W. STONE, Assistant Minister.

EDSON P. GILSON, Licensed Lay Reader.

PARISH OFFICERS.

WM. W. FELT, Senior Warden.

DAVID PETERS, Junior Warden.

EDWIN C. MCKELSEY, Secretary of the Vestry.

WILLIAM W. FELT, Treasurer of the Vestry.

WILLIAM W. FELT, DAVID PETERS, WILLIAM W. WHEELER, EDWIN C. MCKELSEY, JAMES HENRY HARMON, JAMES N. DERNIER, Vestrymen.

Families 24 Number of persons 67; Baptisms—adult 2, infant 1, total 3; Confirmations—male 3, female 2, total 5: Communicants—number reported last year 33, received 3, removed 13, present number—male, 10 female 24, total 34, including eleven who through error have not been reported in past years; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 31. Sunday School—teachers 2, pupils 15. Church Services—Holy Communion, once a month. Other services—Sundays, A. M.; Fridays, P. M.; Lent, Monday P. M.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1878, consecrated 1879; value, including furnishings, etc., $2,700: insured for $1,800; title vested in Wardens and Vestrymen of the Parish of Grace Church; Rectory, erected, or purchased, 1883; value, including fixtures, $4,000; insured for $2,000; title vested in Wardens and Vestrymen of the Parish of Grace Church. Total value of all Parish property $6,700.

INDEBTEDNESS—Mortgages or other liens on the property, $375. The salary promised to the Rector is $600 a year.

INCOME of the Parish :		EXPENDITURE :	
Balance from last year,	$ 6 97	Salary paid the Rector,	$116 00
Rent of Rectory,	85 00	For music,	4 50
Offerings for regular Parish expenses,	109 95	Interest on debts,	28 00
		Reduction of debts,	64 00
For special Parish purposes,	5 62	For Bishop's salary,	3 00
		All other disbursements,	36 42
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	50 00	Total for Parish purposes,	$251 92
		Surplus,	5 62
Total income,	$257 54		$257 54

Offerings for objects outside the Parish :

Diocesan Missions	$42 00
Sum of all receipts	$299 54

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, ST. ALBANS.

REV. A. B. FLANDERS, D. D., Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector June 1, 1888.

MYRON W. BUCK, Licensed Lay Reader.

PARISH OFFICERS.

MYRON W. BAILEY, Senior Warden.

JAMES M. FOSS, Junior Warden.

MYRON W. BUCK, Secretary of the Vestry.

GEORGE J. RUGG, Treasurer of the Vestry.

MYRON W. BAILEY, JAMES M. FOSS, F. W. BALDWIN, J. C. STRANAHAN, G. J. RUGG, E. H. LEWIS, M. W. BUCK, JOHN DONAVAN, GEORGE CASSIDY, Vestrymen.

Families 209; Number of persons 762; Baptisms, adult 8, infant 19, total 27; Confirmations, male 7, female 14, total

21; Marriages 20; Burials 19; Communicants—number reported last year 433, received 8, admitted 21, died 9, removed 6, present number—male 167, female 280, total 447; Sunday School—teachers, 17, pupils 210. Church Services—Holy Communion, Sundays and other Holy days. Other services—Sundays, A. M. and P. M.; Weekdays, once a week, and daily in Lent.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church erected 1860, consecrated 1861; value, including furnishings, etc., $25,000; insured for $11,000; title vested in St. Luke's Parish; Rectory, erected, or purchased, 1874; value, including fixtures, $6,000; insured for $2,500; title vested in St. Luke's Parish. Endowment funds, total amount, $2,000, J. W. Hyde, Trustee. Total value of all Parish property, $33,000.

INDEBTEDNESS—Mortgages or other liens on the property, $3,000. The salary promised to the Rector is $1,500 a year.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 104 19	Paid deficit of last year,	$ 452 00
Rents and other income of Parish Endowment,	122 00	Salary paid the Rector,	1,500 00
Annual subscriptions,	458 00	For Music,	168 00
Offerings for regular Parish expenses,	1,898 96	For care of Church,	206 00
For special Parish purposes,	131 00	Insurance,	83 75
For Sunday School,	121 79	Interest on debts,	150 00
Special gifts of parishioners,	349 99	For convention expenses,	100 00
		For Bishop's salary,	72 00
		All other disbursements,	454 18
Total income,	$3,185 93	Total for Parish purposes,	$3,185 93

Communion Alms		$ 189 45
Other Alms for the poor of the Parish		110 00
Offerings for objects outside the Parish:		
Diocesan Missions	$100 00	
Bishop's Visitation Fund	8 47	
Widows and Orphans of Clergy	6 37	

Total for Diocesan objects		$ 114 84
Total for Domestic Missions	$ 44 70	
For Foreign Missions	9 46	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	18 00	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		72 16
Sum of all receipts		$3,672 88

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, ST. JOHNSBURY, VERMONT.

REV. FRANK APPLETON, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector October 15th, 1892.

REV. STEPHEN HOWARD ALLING, Assistant Minister.

PARISH OFFICERS.

ELIJAH D. BLODGETT, Senior Warden.

WILLIAM S. BOYNTON, Junior Warden.

LYMAN P. HARRIMAN, Secretary of the Vestry.

HERBERT W. BLODGETT, Treasurer of the Vestry.

GEO. F. CUSHMAN, L. P HARRIMAN, D. D. PATTERSON,

ELISHA MAY, C. T. BRIGHAM, L. N. SMYTHE,

F. G. BUNDY, FREDERICK FLETCHER,

EDWARD T. GRISWOLD,
Vestrymen.

Families 100; Baptisms—adult 1, infant 10, total 11; Marriages 3; Burials 6; Communicants—number reported last year 219, received 21, died 1, removed 17, dropped or suspended 3, present number, male 65, female 154, total 219; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 168; Sunday School—Teachers, 12, pupils 98; Church Services—Holy Communion, 1st and 3rd Sundays in month and on some Holy days; Other services—Sundays A. M. and P. M.; Wednesdays, P. M.; Lent, daily; Cottage Services held throughout the year.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1878, consecrated 1881; value, including furnishings, etc., $15,000; insured for $10,000; title vested in the Trustees of the Diocese. Rectory, erected or purchased 1890; value, including fixtures, $2,500; insured for $1,500; title vested in St. Andrew's Church and Parish. Endowment funds, total amount, $1,600; Hopkins fund, held by Trustees of Diocese; Howard fund, held by St. Andrew's Church and Parish; Hewes fund, held by St. Andrew's Church and Parish; Other property—Tenemant house $1,500, insured for $1,000; Total value of all Parish property $20,600.

INDEBTEDNESS—$503.28. The salary promised to the Rector is $1,000 a year.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 21 95	Salary paid the Rector,	$1000 00
Rents and other income of Parish Endowment,	181 04	For music,	123 92
Offerings:		For care of Church, etc.,	96 00
For regular Parish expenses,	1180 48	Reduction of debts,	109 75
For special Parish purposes,	133 75	Improvement of property,	94 04
Special gifts of Parishoners,	162 00	For convention expenses,	42 00
Ministerial fund, Town of St. Johnsbury,	5 89	For Bishop's salary,	12 00
Total income from all sources,	$1,685 00	All other disbursements	162 78
		Total for parish purposes,	$1640 49
		Surplus,	44 62
			$1,685 11

Offerings for objects outside the Parish:

Diocesan Missions	$ 75 00	
Other Diocesan uses	125 00	
Total for Diocesan objects		200 00
For Domestic Missions	6 36	
For Indian Missions	3 00	
For Colored Missions	3 00	
Total for Domestic Missions	12 33	
For Foreign Missions	6 33	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		18 66
Sum of all receipts		$1,903 76

TRINITY CHURCH, SHELBURNE.

REV. BENJAMIN WARREN ATWELL, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, July 5, 1896.

PARISH OFFICERS.

WALTER AMON WEED, Senior Warden.
DR. W. SEWARD WEBB, Junior Warden.
J. L. BARSTOW, Secretary of the Vestry.
W. H. TYLER, Treasurer of the Vestry.

LAFAYETTE LYON, ORVILLE SPEAR, FRANK SPEAR, Vestrymen.

Families 34; Number of persons 121; Baptisms—adult 2, infant 5, total 7; Marriages 2; Burial 8; Communicants—number reported last year 72, received 1, died 4, dropped 9, present number—male 19, female 40, total 59; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 59. Sunday School—teachers 3, pupils 22. Church Services—Holy Communion, monthly and Holy days. Other services—Sundays, A. M.; Lent, three times weekly, and daily in Holy week.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1885; consecrated 1886; value, including furnishings, etc., $20,000; insured for $15,000; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Total value of all Parish property, $20,000. The salary promised to the Rector is 1,500 a year.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Annual subscription,	$2,110 00	Salary paid the Rector,	$1,500 00
Offerings,	542 50	For music,	625 25
Special gifts of parishioners,	25 00	For care of church, etc.,	180 00
Other aid from without the Parish,	32 50	Insurance,	115 00
Other sources,	1,501 15	Increase or improvement of property,	1,501 15
		For convention expenses,	15 00
		All other disbursements,	91 03
		Total for Parish purposes,	$4,027 43
		Surplus,	183 78
Total income,	$4,211 21		$4,211 21

Communion Alms		$ 108 14
Offerings for objects outside the Parish:		
Diocesan Missions	$125 00	
Total for Diocesan objects		125 00
For Domestic Missions	67 00	
For Foreign Missions	52 00	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	5 08	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		124 08
Sum of all receipts		$4,568 43

GRACE CHURCH, SHELDON.

REV. G. A. WILKINS, Rector until Advent, 1895.

JOHN H. WHITTEMORE, Licensed Lay Reader.

PARISH OFFICERS.

CHAS. H. WHITTEMORE, Senior Warden.

J. H. STUFFLEBEAN, Junior Warden.

CYRUS R. KEITH, Secretary of the Vestry.

JOHN H. WHITTEMORE, Treasurer of the Vestry.

CHAS. H. WHITTEMORE, J. H. STUFFLEBEAN, JOHN H. WHITTEMORE, S. B. GREEN, C. R. KEITH,
Vestrymen.

Families 20; Number of persons 60; Baptism—infant 1; Burials 2; Communicants—number reported last year 36, received 1, died 2, dropped 1, present number—male 8, female 26, total 34; Sunday School—teachers 1, pupils 6; No services reported.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church erected 1878; value, including furnishings, etc., $3,000; insured for $2,100; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Rectory, value, including fixtures, $800; insured for $500. Endow-

ment funds, total amount, $1,200.37; Grace Church fund $1,069.19, Grace Church Organ fund $121.18, held by Trustees of the Diocese. Total value of all Parish property, $5,000.37.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 8 73	Salary paid Rector,	$296 16
Rents and other income of Parish endowment,	90 66	For care of church,	12 85
Annual subscriptions,	90 00	Insurance,	7 81
Offerings,	11 27	Improvement of property,	19 81
Special gifts of parishioners,	12 00	For convention expenses,	5 00
From Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	75 00	All other disbursements,	73
Board of Land Agents,	53 00	Total for Parish purposes,	$342 36
		Surplus,	30
Total income,	$342 66		$342 66

Communion Alms		$1 62
Offerings for objects outside the Parish:		
Diocesan Missions	$1 90	
Bishop's Visitation Fund	3 15	
Total for Diocesan objects		5 05
General Missions	3 00	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		3 00
Sum of all receipts		$352 33

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, SWANTON.

REV. FREDERIC M. GARLAND, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, March 1, 1895.

CHAS. H. REYNOLDS, Licensed Lay Reader.

PARISH OFFICERS.

HENRY A. BURT, Senior Warden.

CHAS. H. REYNOLDS, Junior Warden.

HENRY M. STONE, Secretary of the Vestry.

HENRY M. STONE, Treasurer of the Vestry.

HENRY M. STONE, HENRY A. BURT, JR., HERBERT ROBINSON, Vestrymen.

Number of persons 145; Baptisms—adult 6, infant 7, total 13; Confirmations—male 2, female 5, total 7; Marriages 2; Burials 3; Communicants—number reported last year 56, received 6, admitted 7, died 1, removed 4, dropped or suspended 3, present number—male 12, female 49, total 61; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 58; Sunday School—teachers 5, pupils 45; Church Services—Holy Communion, Sundays and other Holy days. Other services—Sundays, A. M. and P. M.; Fridays, P. M.; Lent, Wednesday and Friday A. M., Tuesday and Friday P. M.

THE PROPERTY of the parish consists of—Church, erected 1876, consecrated 1889; value, including furnishings, etc., $2,800; insured for $1,900; title vested in Vestry; Rectory, erected, or purchased, 1895; value, including fixtures, $2,500; insured for $1,400. Total value of all Parish property $5,300. The salary promised to the Rector is $1,000.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Rents and other income of Parish endowment,	$ 70 00	Salary paid the Rector,	$1,008 32
Annual subscriptions,	766 23	For music,	109 35
Offerings, for regular Parish expenses,	63 40	For care of church,	60 33
For addition to church,	738 85	Increase or improvement of property,	738 85
Special gifts of Parishoners, Rectory,	2,500 00	Rectory,	2,500 00
Special gifts of Parishioners,	4 00	For convention expenses,	6 00
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	175 00	All other disbursements,	20 85
From the Board of Land Agents,	75 00	Total for Parish purposes,	$4,443 70
Other sources,	65 35	Surplus,	14 13
Total income,	$4,457 83		$4,457 83

Alms for the poor of the Parish		$ 10 00
Offerings for objects outside the Parish:		
Diocesan Missions	$25 86	
Bishop's Visitation Fund	3 15	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	5 71	
Total for Diocesan objects		34 72
For Domestic Missions	3 38	
For Foreign Missions	13 50	
For other purposes outside the diocese	10 00	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		26 88
Sum of all receipts		$4,529 23

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, VERGENNES.

REV. HUBERT P. LEF. GRABAU, Rector.

Assumed charge as Rector, St. Luke's Day, 1885.

CHARLES E. PARKER, Licensed Lay Reader.

PARISH OFFICERS.

CYRUS A. BOOTH, Senior Warden.

CHARLES E. PARKER, Junior Warden.

NICHOLAS J. MCCUEN, Secretary of the Vestry.

SPENCER W. HINDES, Treasurer of the Vestry.

CYRUS A. BOOTH, CHAS. E. PARKER, N. J. MCCUEN, SPENCER W. HINDES, D. H. LEWIS, E. W. SHIPMAN, W. W. BOOTH, C. T. WARNER, C. A. CHAPMAN, HENRY T. BOOTH, C. W. SEIPLE, Vestrymen.

Families 65; Number of persons 199; Baptisms—adult 1, infant 9, total 10; Confirmations—male 3, female 2, total 5; Marriage 1; Burials 9; Communicants—number reported last year 121, received 2, admitted 5, died 1, removed 4, present number—male 57, female 66, total 123; Number

of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 105 ; Sunday School—teachers 4, pupils 35; Church Services—Holy Communion, Sundays, Fridays and Holy days, including Ember days and Rogation days; but not on Good Friday or Easter Even ; Other services—Sundays, A. M. and P. M.; Fridays and Holy days, Morning and Evening Prayer; and daily during Advent and Lent.

The Church has received this year six brass Vesper-lights, given in memory of Sarah Brace Booth.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1834, consecrated 1835 ; value, including furnishings, etc., $8,000.00 ; insured for $7,000.00 ; title vested in "Episcopal Society in Vergennes;" Rectory purchased 1890; value, including fixtures, $5,000.00 ; insured for $4,600.00; title vested in Wardens and Vestrymen of St. Paul's Church, Vergennes. Endowment funds, total amount $5,500.00 ; entire amount held by Cyrus A. Booth, Trustee. Total value of all Parish property $18,500.00.

INDEBTEDNESS—$500.00. The salary promised to the Rector is $1,000 a year.

INCOME of the Parish :		EXPENDITURE :	
Balance from last year,	$ 69 91	Salary paid the Rector,	$1,083 33
Income of Parish Endowment,	350 48	For Music,	95 08
Annual Subscriptions,	75 00	For care of Church, etc.,	280 23
Offerings for regular Parish expenses,	1,142 84	Insurance,	112 58
For special Parish purposes,	150 00	Interest on debts,	21 89
Special gifts of Parishioners,	25 00	Improvement of Rectory property,	853 37
Insurance, loss by fire,	425 00	Three windows, to replace those destroyed by fire,	333 95
Rent—office, barn, pasture, etc.,	245 25	For convention expenses,	24 00
		All other disbursements,	178 16
Total income,	$2,483 48		
Deficiency,	499 11		
	$2,982 59	Total for Parish purposes	$2,982 59

Communion Alms, since Oct. 20, 1895		$15 77
Other Alms		5 40
Offerings for Objects outside the Parish :		
Diocesan Missions	$75 00	
Bishop's Visitation Fund	7 00	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	4 00	
Total for Diocesan Objects		86 00
For Domestic Missions	12 93	
For Colored Missions	3 50	
Total for Domestic Missions		16 43
For Foreign Missions	12 92	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	7 00	
Total for Objects outside the Diocese		36 35
Sum of all receipts		$2,987 00

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, WINDSOR.

REV. EDWARD N. GODDARD, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, June 4th, 1879.

EDWARD BROWN, Licensed Lay Reader.

PARISH OFFICERS.

HENRY D. STONE, Senior Warden.

EDWARD BROWN, Junior Warden.

EDWARD M. GODDARD, Secretary of the Vestry.

HENRY L. WILLIAMS, Treasurer of the Vestry.

C. HENRY INGALLS, FRED C. KEYES, SAMUEL A. REED, DEANE RICHMOND, GEORGE M. STONE, EDWARD A. WARDNER, Vestrymen.

Families, about 45; Number of persons, about 125; Baptism—infant 10; Marriages 2; Burials 4; Communicants

—number reported last year 79; received 1; removed 3; present number, male 19, female 58, total 77; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year, 60; Sunday School—Teachers 5, pupils, about 30; Church Services—Holy Communion, Sundays and some other Holy days; Other Services—Sundays, A. M., and p. m.; Lent, Morning and Evening Prayer, daily; Evening Prayer, daily from St. John Baptist day to Michaelmas.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1819-21, consecrated 1822; value, including furnishings, etc., $8,000; insured for $6,000; title vested in St. Paul's Church, Windsor. Rectory, purchased 1860; value, including fixtures, $2,500; insured for $1,800; title vested in St. Paul's Church, Windsor. Endowment funds, total amount, $1,765; endowment for Church building, $565; Mary Catherine Sabin fund, $1,200; both held by Trustees of the Diocese. Total value of all Parish property, $12,265. The salary promised to the Rector is the income of the land fund plus the freewill offerings of the people. There is no fixed salary.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 96 62	Salary paid the Rector,	$627 42
Rents and other income of Parish Endowment,	28 24	For music,	99 87
Annual subscriptions,	168 25	For care of church, etc.,	104 00
Offerings for regular parish expenses,	586 26	Insurance,	11 25
For special parish purposes,	50 97	Increase or improvement of property,	194 50
Special gifts of Parishioners,	255 00	For Convention expenses,	15 00
Board of Land Agents,	50 00	All other disbursements,	165 43
		Total for Parish purposes,	$1,217 47
		Surplus,	17 87
Total income,	$1,235 34		$1,325 34

Offerings for objects outside the Parish:		
Diocesan Missions	$ 65 05	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	5 05	
Total for Diocesan objects		$70 10
Domestic Missions	29 33	
Foreign Missions	44 33	
For all other uses	23 63	
Total outside the Diocese		97 29
Sum of all receipts		$1,402 73

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, WOODSTOCK.

REV. FRANCIS WYMAN SMITH, Rector.
Assumed charge as Rector, November 4, 1877.

PARISH OFFICERS.

JAMES B. JONES, Senior Warden.

GEORGE W. PAUL, Junior Warden.

GEORGE W. PAUL, Secretary of the Vestry.

JAMES B. JONES, Treasurer of the Vestry.

J. B. JONES, ALVIN HATCH, GEO. W. PAUL, FRED CHAPMAN, CHAS. F. CHAPMAN, J. R. PEMBER, Wm. F. JONES, HENRY B. CHAPMAN, HENRY S. MOWER, Vestrymen.

Families 37; Number of persons 140; Baptisms—infant 12; Confirmations—female 2; Marriage 1; Burials 8; Communicants—number reported last year 66, received 2, admitted 2, died 2, removed 3, dropped 5, present number—male 15, female 45, total 60; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year, at least 52; Sunday School—teachers 3, pupils 28; Church Services—Holy Communion, first Sunday in the month, Sundays in Lent, Christmas day, Easter day, Ascension day, Whitsunday, and the Transfiguration. Other services

—Sundays, A. M. and P. M.; Lent, Fridays and Saturdays; and in Summer Fridays.

The Rectory has been newly shingled and painted on the outside at an expense of $205.36; paid by the Ladies' Association.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church erected 1827, consecrated 1828; value, including furnishings, etc., $6,000; insured for $4,000; title vested in Parish; Rectory, erected or purchased, 1854; value, including fixtures, $2,500; insured for $1,650; title vested in Parish. Endowment funds, total amount, $11,500; all held by the Parish Vestry Trustees. Total value of all Parish Property $8,500. The salary promised to the Rector is $1,000 a year and Rectory.

INCOME of the Parish:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 36 93	Salary paid the Rector,	$1,000 00
Rents and other income of Parish Endowment,	588 72	For care of Church, etc.,	293 39
Pew rents,	6 00	Insurance,	32 61
Annual subscriptions,	493 20	Interest on debts, Reduction of debts,	275 57
Offerings:		Increase of Endowments, invested,	500 00
For regular parish expenses,	361 27	For convention expenses,	15 00
For special parish purposes, Ladies' Association,	173 05	For Bishop's salary,	15 00
Special gifts of Parishioners, trust fund,	500 00	Total for Parish purposes,	$2,131 57
		Surplus,	27 60
Total income,	$2,159 17		$2,159 17

Offerings for objects outside the Parish:

Diocesan Missions	$50 75	
Bishop's Visitation Fund	28 00	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	5 00	
Total for Diocesan objects		83 75
For Domestic Missions	68 32	
For Foreign Missions	13 00	
For Armenian fund	11 00	
For Jews	3 50	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		95 82
Sum of all receipts		$2,338 74

REPORTS OF MISSIONS.

For the Canonical Year from April 15th, 1895 to May 1st, 1896.

THE GOOD SHEPHERD MISSION, BARRE.

REV. ALLAN D. BROWN, Missionary.
Appointed June 22, 1894.

OFFICERS OF THE MISSION.

WILLIAM DRISCOLL REID, M. D., Warden.
HENRY K. BUSH, Secretary.
JOHN ROBINS, Treasurer.

Families 87; Number of persons 286; Baptisms—adult 5, infant 13, total 18; Confirmations—male 4, female 6, total 10; Marriages 4; Burials 5; Communicants—number reported last year 60, received 36, (17 transferred from Graniteville on discontinuance of the Mission), admitted 10, died 1, removed 2, present number—male 37, female 66, total 103; number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 93; Sunday School—teachers 5, pupils 72; Number of youth within the cure pursuing liberal studies with a view to the Ministry 1; Church Services—Holy Communion, twice a month and on Christmas day; since Easter on all Sundays; Other services, Sundays A. M., and P. M.; Advent and Lent, Fridays P. M., Holy week A. M., and P. M. daily.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of--Church, erected 1895, value, including furnishings, etc., $12,000, insured for $6,000; title vested in Arthur C. A. Hall, Trustee; Parsonage purchased 1894, value including fixtures, $2,500, insured for $1,000; title vested in Arthur C. A. Hall, Trustee. Endowment funds—total amount $50; Elizabeth Peirce Memorial fund (held by the Woman's Guild); Other property--house, value $2,500; insured for $1,500; title vested in Arthur A. C. Hall, Trustee; total value of all property belonging to the Mission $17,050.

INDEBTEDNESS—Mortgage on the Church $5,000; all other debts of the Mission $1,765; total indebtedness $6,765. About $600 more will be required to pay existing demands when settlements are made. The salary promised to the minister is $600 a year.

INCOME of the Mission:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year	$ 530 57	Salary paid the Minister,	$ 628 00
Rents and other income of Mission Endowment,	330 82	For music,	65 53
Offerings:		For care of Church,	74 69
For regular expenses of the Mission,	579 81	Insurance,	133 50
For special purposes of the Mission,	29 98	Interest on debts,	127 08
Special gifts of members of the Congregation,	72 45	Increase of property,	3,183 29
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	300 00	Increase of endowments,	50 00
From the Board of Land Agents,	100 00	For convention expenses,	6 00
Other sources:		All other disbursements,	168 67
Bishop Hall (response to appeal),	1,865 27	Total for purpose of the Mission,	$4,433 76
Various sources.	156 00	Surplus,	286 25
Town fund,	11 57		
Woman's Guild,	379 14		
Memorial fund,	50 00		
Total income from all sources,	$4,720 01		$4,720 01

Offerings for objects outside the Mission :		
Diocesan Missions		$ 28 00
For Domestic Missions	$16 49	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	13 58	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		46 56
Sum of all receipts		$4,794 57

THE HOLY CROSS MISSION, CAMBRIDGE.

REV. GEMONT GRAVES, Missionary.
Appointed November, 1875.

REV. S. E. HANGER, Assistant Minister.
Appointed November 1 1894.

Families 5; Number of persons 15; Baptism—infant 1; Communicants—number reported last year 7, present number—male 1, female 6, total 7; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 6; Sunday School—teacher 1, pupils 2. Church Services—Holy communion, eight times during the year. Other services—Morning and Evening Prayer on alternate Sundays.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission is valued at $100; insured for $60; title vested in the Mission.

INCOME of the Mission :	
Balance from last year,	$ 15 00
Offerings, for regular expenses of the Mission,	16 59
For special purposes of the Mission,	27 80
Town fund,	6 50
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	200 00
Other sources,	28 08
Total income,	$293 47
Deduct added in below,	4 76
	$288 71

EXPENDITURE :	
Salary paid the Minister,	$186 62
For Chapel Rent,	30 00
Insurance,	3 00
All other disbursements,	67 53
Total for purposes of the Mission,	$287 15
Surplus,	6 32
	$293 47
Deduct added in below	4 76
	$288 71

Offerings for objects outside the Mission:		
Diocesan Missions	$10 00	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	50	
Total for Diocesan objects		$10 50
General Missions	48	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	50	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		98
Sum of all receipts		$300 19

THE HOLY APOSTLE'S MISSION, CAMBRIDGE CENTER.

(P. O. Jeffersonville.)

REV. GEMONT GRAVES, Missionary.
Appointed November, 1875.

S. E. HANGER, Assistant Minister.
Appointed November 1, 1894.

Families 2; Number of persons 4; Baptisms—infant 1; burial 1; Communicants—Number reported last year 4, died 1; Present number—female 3; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 2. Church Services—13 services held, 2 Celebrations of the Holy Communion.

So many church people had died or removed, services were suspended after November, by the Bishop's advice.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission, $40.

INCOME of the Mission:		EXPENDITURE:	
Offerings,	$ 3 60	Salaries paid the ministers.	$82 26
From Town Fund,	6 50	All other disbursements,	7 01
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	79 17		
Total income,	$89 27	Total for purposes of the Mission,	$89 27

Offerings for objects outside the Mission,		
Diocesan Missions	$10 25	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	86	
Total for Diocesan objects		$11 11
For Domestic Missions	75	
For Foreign Missions	75	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		1 50
Sum of all receipts,		$101 88

ST. FAITH'S MISSION, CASTLETON.

(Unorganized.)

REV. W. PARRY THOMAS, Missionary.
Appointed November 30, 1895.

GEORGE MAYNARD, Licensed Lay Reader.

Families 12 ; Number of persons 30 ; Baptisms—adult 1, infant 4, total 5; Confirmations—male 1, female 6, total 7; present number—male 4, female 20, total 24 ; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year, 22; Sunday School—teachers 5, pupils 34. Church Services—Holy Communion, on some Holy days. Other services—Sundays, A. M. and P. M.; Fridays, P. M.; Lent, Monday and Wednesday, P. M. Catechising, monthly.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of—Furniture, $250; other property, site for church, $80; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont. Total value of all property belonging to the Mission, $330. The salary promised to the Minister is $190 a year.

INCOME of the Mission:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 2 08	Salary paid the Minister,	$176 72
Annual Subscriptions,	43 42	For care of Church, etc.,	45 24
Offerings,	107 79	All other disbursements,	75 00
Special gifts of members of the congregation,	16 10		
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	100 00	Total for all purposes of the Mission,	296 96
Board of Land Agents,	50 00	Surplus,	22 43
Total income.	$319 39		$319 38

Offerings for objects outside the Mission:

Diocesan Missions	$5 00
Sum of all receipts	$324 39

ST. JOHN BAPTIST MISSION, NORTH CONCORD.

(Unorganized.)

REV. FRANK APPLETON, Missionary.
Appointed June 21st, 1895.

REV. STEPHEN H. ALLING, Assistant Minister.
Appointed June 21st. 1895.

Families 20; Number of persons 67; Baptisms—adult 2, infant 6, total 8; Confirmations—male 2, female 5, total 7; Communicants—present number—male 4, female 10, total 14; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year, 10; Sunday School—teachers 1, pupils 12. Church Services—Holy Communion, monthly. Other services—Sundays A. M. or P. M.; Lent, Wednesdays, P. M. During the year, cottage services.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of—An organ valued at $35; other property $5. Total value of all property belonging to the Mission, $40. The salary promised to the Rector is $150 a year.

INCOME of the Mission:		EXPENDITURE:	
Annual subscriptions,	$ 21 35	Salary paid the Minister,	$291 67
Offerings for regular expenses of the Mission,	53 55	Increase of property,	40 00
For organ,	34 42	All other disbursements,	36 05
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	145 80		
Other aid from without the Mission,	52 50		
Other sources,	60 10		
Total income,	$367 72	Total for purposes of the Mission,	$367 72

Offerings for objects outside the Parish:

Diocesan Missions	$2 00
Sum of all Receipts	$357 72

CHRIST CHURCH MISSION, FAIRFAX.

(P. O. Buck-Hollow.)

REV. GEMONT GRAVES, Missionary.

Appointed October, 1881.

A. BUCK, A. N. BUCK, Wardens.

REV. GEMONT GRAVES, Secretary.

D. BUCK, Treasurer.

Families 20; Number of persons 66; Baptisms—infant 3; Confirmations—female 1; Communicants—number reported last year 17, admitted 2, present number—male 7, female 12, total 19; number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 19; Sunday School—pupils 8. Church Services—42 services in all have been held during the year, including a week's daily service in mid-winter, 14 celebrations of the Holy Communion.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of—Church, erected 1860, consecrated 1861 ; value, including furnishings, etc., $2,000; insured for $1,300; titled vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Parsonage, erected 1868; value, including fixtures, $1,800; insured for $1,100; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese; rented to the sexton; Endowment funds, "Andrew Buck Fund," $1,000 held by the Trustees of the Diocese. Other property, barn and shed, $200; insured for $100 ; title vested in the Diocese. Total value of all property belonging to the Mission $5,000. The salary promised to the minister is $100 a year, or amount of subscriptions.

INCOME of the Mission:		EXPENDITURE:	
Rents and other income of Parish endowment,	$125 00	Salary paid the Minister,	$188 27
Annual subscriptions,	42 90	For care of Church, etc.,	21 00
Offerings,	81 10	Insurance,	10 10
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	50 00	Increase or improvement of property,	67 50
From the Board of Land Agents,	70 00	For convention expenses,	4 50
		All other disbursements,	27 63
Total income,	$319 00	Total for purposes of the Mission,	$319 00

Alms for the poor of the Mission		$ 1 00
Offerings for Objects outside the Mission:		
Diocesan Missions	$20 00	
Bishop's Visitation Fund	6 27	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	3 00	
Other Diocesan uses	80	
Total for Diocesan objects		30 07
For Domestic Missions	1 86	
For Foreign Missions	1 86	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	1 81	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		5 53
Sum of all receipts		$ 355 60

TRINITY CHURCH, FAIRFIELD.

June 10th, 1896.

Rt. Rev. Bishop of the Diocese:

I have the honor of reporting that I continued my visits to Trinity Church, Fairfield, until the winter set in. The dilapidated condition of the church building forbids the holding of services during cold weather. Since my last report I baptized two adults: one was baptized by you, making three baptisms in all. I attended one funeral and made parochial visits among the church people. Twenty copies of the Standard edition of the Prayer Book were purchased with funds collected for that purpose.

The church families of the parish are scattered and unable to make any satisfactory provision towards the support of a missionary. Unless the parish can be served in connection with Buck Hollow, I do not see but that it will have to be abandoned.

GEO. A. WILKINS.

ST. LUKE'S MISSION, FAIR HAVEN.

REV. W. PARRY THOMAS, Missionary.
Appointed November 30th, 1896.

M. H. WESTCOTT, Warden.

H. T. HUGHES, Secretary.

Dr. A. S. MURRAY, Treasurer.

Families 29; Number of persons 120; Baptisms—adult 1, infant 6, total 7; Confirmations—male 1, female 2, total 3; Marriage 1; Burials 5; Communicants—number reported last year 68, died 4, removed 3; present number—male 13, female 44, total 57; number of these who have

received the Holy Communion during the past year, 57; Sunday School—teachers 5, pupils 25. Sunday Services—Holy Communion, first, third and fifth Sundays in month, and some Holy days. Other services—Sundays A. M. and P. M.; Fridays, P. M.; Wednesdays and Fridays, Litany, A. M.; Advent, Wednesday, P. M.; Lent, daily. Services also on Ember and Rogation days. Catechising monthly.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of—Church, erected 1887, consecrated 1887; value, including furnishings, etc., $5,000; insured for $3,000; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont. The salary promised to the Minister is $450 a year.

INCOME of the Mission:		EXPENDITURE:	
Annual subscriptions,	$300 00	Paid deficit of last year,	$ 3 80
Offerings,	172 97	Salary Paid the Minister,	325 00
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	$100 00	For music,	1 80
		For care of Church, etc.,	40 75
Board of Land Agents,	50 00	Insurance,	5 00
		For convention expenses,	15 00
		All other disbursements,	57 42
		Total for purposes of the Mission,	$488 77
		Surplus,	174 20
Total income,	$622 97		$622 97

Offerings for objects outside the Mission:

Diocesan Missions	$47 50	
Bishop's Visitation Fund	3 00	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	1 50	
Total for Diocesan objects		$52 09
Sum of all receipts		$675 06

GRACE CHURCH, FORESTDALE.

(Unorganized.)

REV. WILLIAM F. WEEKS, Missionary.
Appointed September, 1889.

Families 21; Number of persons 44; Baptisms—adult 3; Confirmations—female 1; Marriages 3; Burial 1; Communicants—number reported last year 13, admitted 1, removed to other cures 1, dropped or suspended 1, present number—male 1, female 11, total 12; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 12; Sunday School—teachers 3, pupils 18; Church Services—Holy Communion, quarterly on Sundays and on some Holy days; Other services—Sundays P. M., Advent and Lent, Wednesday P. M.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of—Church erected 1851, consecrated 1853; value, including furnishing, etc., $3,000; insured for $1,000; title vested in the Bishop of Vermont.

INDEBTEDNESS—$18.40.

INCOME of the Mission:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 9 82	Salary paid the Minister,	$118 05
Offerings,	36 52	For care of Church,	5 75
Special gifts of members of the Congregation,	7 50	Insurance,	3 75
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	100 00	Increase or improvement of property.	89 56
Other aid from without the Mission,	10 00	All other disbursements,	5 18
Entertainments,	56 02	Total for purposes of the Mission,	$217 29
		Surplus,	2 57
Total income,	$219 86		$219 86

Offerings for objects outside the Mission,

Diocesan Missions ..... $ 5 22

Sum of all receipts $225 08

EMMANUEL CHURCH, GEORGIA.

P. O., East Georgia.

REV GEMONT GRAVES, Missionary.

Appointed May, 1880.

Families 10; Number of persons 36; Baptism—infant 1; Burials 2; Communicants—number reported last year 10; present number—female 10; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year, 9; Sunday School—teachers 2, pupils 10. Church Services—Holy Communion, monthly and Ascension day. Other services—Alternate Sundays, P. M.; Week-days, once a week in Lent.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of—Church, erected 1871, consecrated 1872; value, including furnishings, $3,000; insured for $2,000; title vested in the Bishop. Endowment funds, total amount, $1,500; Being Miss Hyde's legacy for salary and Mission support; F. W. Hyde, Trustee, St. Albans. Other property—shed $150; insured for $100; title vested as above. Total value of all property belonging to the Mission, $4,650.

INCOME of the Mission:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$75 01	Salary paid the Minister,	$138 35
Income of Mission Endowment,	75 00	For music,	2 00
Annual subscriptions,	33 00	For care of Church, etc.,	11 50
Special gifts of member of the congregation,	5 00	Increase of property,	124 55
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	25 00	All other disbursements,	18 22
Board of Land Agents,	70 00		
From F. W. Hyde, Trustee,	25 00	Total for purposes of the Mission,	$294 62
From St. Albans friends, "in memoriam."	32 00	Surplus,	45 39
Total income,	$340 01		$340 01

Offerings for objects outside the Mission:

Diocesan Missions	$18 00	
Bishop's Visitation Fund	2 05	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	1 00	
Other Diocesan uses	6 00	
Total for Diocesan objects		22 05
For Domestic Missions	1 85	

For Foreign Missions	$ 1 51	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	3 33	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		$ 6 69
Sum of all receipts		$368 75

CALVARY CHURCH MISSION, JERICHO.

REV. GEMONT GRAVES, Missionary.
Appointed September-October, 1875.

REV. SAMUEL E. HANGER, Deacon Assisting.
Appointed November 1, 1894.

IRA HAWLEY, Warden.

REV. G. GRAVES, Secretary.

IRA HAWLEY, Treasurer.

Families 12; Number of persons 37; Confirmation—female 1; Burial 1; Communicants—number reported last year 16, received 4, admitted 1, died 1, present number—male 5, female 15, total 20; number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 16; Sunday School—teachers 1, pupils 4. Church Services—Holy Communion, twice every two months, and lately oftener, (25 celebrations, including those for the sick.) Other services—Three Sundays out of four, A. M. and P. M.; Fridays in Lent.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of—Church, erected 1856, consecrated 1857; value, including furnishings, etc., $2,000; insured for $1,500; title vested in Wardens and Vestrymen. Other property $306. Total value of all property belonging to the Mission $2,306. The salary promised to the minister is $50 a year, besides church offerings.

INCOME of the Mission:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 44 43	Salary paid the ministers,	$478 14
Annual subscriptions about,	50 00	For care of church, etc.,	5 00
Offerings,	48 53	Increase or improvement of property,	1 75
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	400 00	All other disbursements,	19 48
Other aid from without the Mission,	5 81	Total for purposes of the Mission,	$504 37
		Surplus,	44 40
Total income,	$548 77		$548 77

Offerings for objects outside the Parish:

Diocesan Missions	$13 00	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	1 50	
Other Diocesan uses	6 61	
Total for Diocesan objects		21 11
For Domestic Missions	1 35	
For Foreign Missions	1 34	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	68	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		3 37
Sum of all receipts		$573 25

ST. PETER'S MISSION, LYNDONVILLE.

Organized April 7, 1896.

REV. FRANK APPLETON, Missionary.

Appointed June 21st, 1895.

REV. S. HOWARD ALLING, Assistant Minister.

Appointed June 21st, 1895.

JOSEPH WEBSTER, Warden.

JOHN F. MCCARTY, Secretary.

FREDERICK STEVENS, Treasurer.

Families 33; Number of persons 93; Baptisms—adult 1; infant 3, total 4; Marriage 1; Burial 1; Communicants—male 11, female 29, total 40; Number of these who have

received the Holy Communion during the past year, 26; Sunday School—teachers 2, pupils 16. Sunday Services—Holy Communion, second Sunday of the month, and some Holy days. Other Services—Sundays, A. M. and P. M.; Thursdays in Lent, P. M.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of—Church furniture, $100. The salary promised to the Minister is $150 a year.

INCOME of the Mission:		EXPENDITURE:	
Offerings,	$211 75	Salary paid the Minister,	$291 67
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	145 80	For music,	5 00
Other aid from without the Mission,	82 50	Increase or improvement of property,	100 00
Other sources,	27 63	All other disbursements,	66 35
		Total for purposes of the Mission,	$462 92
		Surplus,	4 76
Total income,	$467 68		$467 68

Communion Alms		$ 3 65
Offerings for objects outside the Mission:		
Diocesan Missions		3 10
Domestic Missions	4 00	
Foreign Missions	4 00	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		8 00
Sum of all receipts		$482 43

ST. JOHN'S MISSION, MANCHESTER.

REV. CHARLES SMITH LEWIS, Missionary.
Appointed September, 1896.

Families 7; Number of persons 20; Marriage 1; Communicants—number reported last year 7; present number, male 2, female 5, total 7; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year, 5.

Church Services—Holy Communion, Sundays in July and August. Other Services—(July and August) Sundays, P. M.; second, fourth, fifth Sundays in month, A. M.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of—Church, erected 1869; not consecrated; value, including furnishings, etc., $2,000; not insured; title: heirs to Mrs. E. S. Orvis' estate hold land in trust on which a chapel may be built in which Episcopal services may be held. The salary promised to the Minister is $250 a year.

INCOME of the Mission:		EXPENDITURE:	
Offerings between Oct. 13 and Nov. 21, '65,	$3 63	Disbursements,	$ 50
		Total for purposes of the Mission,	$ 50
		Surplus,	3 13
Total income,	$3 63		$3 63

Offerings for objects outside the Parish:

Diocesan Missions $20 04

ST. BARNABAS'S MISSION, EAST MIDDLEBURY.

(Unorganized.)

REV. DAVID N. BONNAR, Missionary.
Appointed November, 1895.

Number of persons 30; Marriages 1; Communicants—number reported last year 28; Present number—male 2, female 19, total 21; number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 13. Church Services—Holy Communion, first Sunday in month. Other services—the other Sundays, P. M.; Tuesdays in Lent, P. M.

THE PROPERTY of the Parish consists of—Church, erected 1889, consecrated 1889; value, including furnish-

ings, etc., $2,500; insured for $1,500; title vested in the Trustees of the Diocese of Vermont.

INCOME of the Mission:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 8 39	Salary paid the minister,	$172 50
Offerings,	58 01	For care of church, etc.,	3 15
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	87 50	Insurance,	7 50
Other sources,	35 25	Increase or improvement of property,	1 00
Total income,	$184 15	Total for purposes of the Mission,	$184 15

TRINITY CHURCH, MILTON.

REV. GEMONT GRAVES, Missionary.
Appointed May, 1880.

Families 15; Number of persons 44; Marriage 1; Communicants—number reported last year 18, removed 2, present number—male 1, female 15, total 16; number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 14; Sunday School—teachers 1, pupils 6; Church Services—Holy Communion monthly and on some Holy days; Other services—alternate Sundays A. M., week days once a week in Lent.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of—Church, erected 1891, consecrated 1891; value including furnishings, etc., $4,000; insured for $3,200; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese.

INCOME OF the Mission:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 8 25	Salary paid the Minister,	$273 90
Annual subscriptions,	77 50	For care of Church, etc.,	19 75
Offerings,	37 85	Insurance,	10 00
Special gifts of members of the Congregation,	5 75	Increase or improvement of property,	107 85
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	150 00	All other disbursements,	36 90
From the Board of Land Agents,	70 00	Total for purposes of the Mission,	$448 40
Other sources:		Surplus,	1 05
For Memorial Altar,	100 00		
Total income,	$449 45		$449 45

Alms for the poor of the Mission		$ 13 85
Offerings for objects outside the Parish :		
Diocesan Missions	$ 20 01	
Bishop's Visitation fund	1 22	
Aged and infirm Clergy	1 00	
Other Diocesan uses	4 00	
Total for Diocesan objects		26 23
For Domestic Missions	3 18	
For Foreign Missions	3 19	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	87	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		7 24
Sum of all receipts		$496 77

ST. MARK'S MISSION, NEWPORT.

REV. ALEX AUG. CAIRNS, Missionary.
Appointed May 12, 1894.

THEOPHILUS GROUT, Licensed Lay Reader.

W. B. BULLOCK, Warden.

WALTER ABBOTT, Secretary.

J. R. KIRKPATRICK, Treasurer.

Families 45; Number of persons 164; Baptisms—adult 2, infant 17, total 19; Confirmations—male 1, female 5, total 6; Marriages 7; Burial 1; Communicants—number reported last year 52, received 6, admitted 9, died 1, removed 3; present number—male 21, female 42, total 63; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year, 57; Sunday School—teachers 6, pupils 36. Church Services—Holy Communion, Sundays, except third Sunday in month; and other Holy days. Other Services—Sundays, A. M. and P. M.; Fridays, P. M. Lent, Tuesdays, P. M.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of—Church, erected 1882; value, including furnishings, etc., $3,000; insured for $1,500; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese.

INDEBTEDNESS—Unpaid Diocesan assessments, $12; all other debts of the Mission, $82.69; total indebtedness, $94.69. The salary promised to the Minister is $250 a year.

INCOME of the Mission:		EXPENDITURE:	
Annual subscriptions,	$315 74	Salary paid the Minister,	$438 48
Offerings,	179 95	For music,	96 00
Special gifts of members of the congregation,	43 70	For care of church, etc.,	51 26
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	150 00	Insurance,	23 00
From the Board of Land Agents,	50 00	Increase or improvement of property,	26 00
		All other disbursements,	75 30
Total income,	$739 39	Total for purposes of the Mission,	$710 04
Less Children's offering to Mission,	23 08	Surplus,	5 27
	$716 31		$716 31

Offerings for objects outside the Mission:

Diocesan Missions	$22 01	
For Bishop's Visitation fund	4 32	
Aged and Infirm Clergy	1 11	
Total for Diocesan objects		27 44
For Domestic Missions	13 28	
For Foreign Missions	12 72	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	1 44	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		27 44
Sum of all receipts		$771 19

ST. PETER'S MISSION, OLCOTT.

REV. A. S. BROWN, Missionary.
Appointed May 25th, 1894.

THOMAS GOULD, Warden.

JOHN MCKENZIE, Secretary.

JOHN MCKENZIE, Treasurer.

Families 11; Number of persons 46; Baptisms—infant 1, Confirmations—female 3; Communicants—present number—male 8, female 17, total 25; number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 14. Church Services—Holy Communion, quarterly. Other services—Sundays, quarterly, A. M.; three Sundays in month, P. M.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of—Building lot, $300; title vested in Trustees of Diocese.

INCOME of the Mission :		EXPENDITURE :	
Balance from last year,	$ 9 03	For Music,	$ 6 00
Offerings,	63 69	Rent of hall,	33 00
		Horse hire,	24 00
		All other disbursements,	8 10
		Total for purposes of the Mission,	$71 10
		Surplus,	1 62
Total income,	$72 72		$72 72

Offerings for objects outside the Mission :

For Domestic Missions	$ 2 55	
For Foreign Missions	2 00	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		$ 4 55
Sum of all receipts		$77 27

GETHSEMENE MISSION PROCTORSVILLE.

Unorganized.

REV. JAMES OSWALD DAVIS, Missionary.

Appointed November 24, 1894.

Families 23; Number of persons 58; Baptisms—adult 1, infant 1, total 2; Confirmations—female 4; Marriage 1; Communicants—Admitted 4, removed 2; present number —male 5, female 19, total 24; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year, 24; Sunday School—teachers 4, pupils 35. Church Services—Holy Communion, from Easter to November, twice a month; since November, monthly. Other Services—Sundays, P. M. and once a month A. M.; Advent and Lent, Fridays, P. M.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of—Church; value, including furnishings, etc., $2,300; insured for $1,500; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. Endowment funds, total amount, $156.53. Total value of all property belonging to the Mission, $2,452. The salary promised to the Minister is $525 a year.

INCOME of the Mission:		EXPENDITURE:	
Offerings for regular expenses of the Mission,	$131 28	Salary paid the Minister,	$490 38
For roofing of church,	101 00	For care of church, etc.,	3 00
Special gifts of members of the congregation,	12 95	Increase or improvement of property,	82 75
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	200 00	All other disbursements,	67 15
From the Board of Land Agents,	95 00	Total for purposes of the Mission,	$643 28
Other sources,	113 10	Surplus,	20 00
Total income,	$653 28		

Communion Alms		$30 64
Other Alms for the poor of the Mission		3 00
Offerings for objects outside the Mission:		
Diocesan Missions	$11 42	
Bishop's Visitation Fund	6 85	
Total for Diocesan objects		18 27
For Domestic Missions	3 15	
For Foreign Missions	3 19	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	30	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		6 64
Sum of all receipts		$711 83

ST. ANN'S MISSION, RICHFORD.

REV. JAMES SIMONDS, Missionary.
Appointed December 1st, 1895.

J. H. HAMILTON, Warden.

D. CORSE, Secretary.

N. F. HAMILTON, Treasurer.

Families 25; Number of persons 90; Baptism—adult 1, infant 4, total 5; Confirmations—male 3, female 3, total 6; Marriages 3; Burials 2; Communicants—number reported last year 36, received 1, admitted 6, dropped or suspended 4; present number—male 8, female 31, total 39; number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 35; Sunday School—teachers 4, pupils 25. Church Services—Holy Communion, until Advent, monthly; since Advent, Sundays and other Holy days. Other services—Sundays, A. M. and P. M.; Advent, Fridays, P. M.; Lent, Wednesdays and Fridays P. M.; during warm weather, daily service.

[Note.] Rev. C. K. P. Cogswell was in charge of the Mission from April 15th to Oct. 31st, 1895.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of—Church, erected 1883, consecrated 1894; value, including furnishings, etc., $3,000; insured for $2,000; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese.

INDEBTEDNESS—Unpaid Diocesan assessments, $9. The salary promised to the minister is $600 a year.

INCOME of the Mission:		EXPENDITURE:	
Annual subscriptions and offerings,	$362 90	Salary paid the minister,	$458 82*
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	62 50*	For care of church, etc.,	50 00
From the Board of Land Agents,	30*	Insurance,	9 50
Other sources,	37 50	All other disbursements,	18 90
		Total for purposes of the Mission,	$532 22
		Surplus,	20 68
Total income,	$492 90		

Offerings for objects outside the Mission:

For Domestic Missions	$ 3 30	
For Foreign Missions	7 42	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		10 72

ST. MARK'S MISSION, SPRINGFIELD.

REV. WILLIAM JAMES HARRIS, D. D., General Missionary in charge. Appointed June. 1892.

ALBERT M. ALLBE, Warden.

EDWARD B. FLINN, Secretary.

ALBERT M. ALBEE, Treasurer.

*This does not include payments from the Board of Land Agents and Missionary Committees during the six and a half months while Mr. Cogswell was in charge. The inaccuracies of the report are occasioned by the change.

Families 17; Number of persons 45; Confirmations—female 1; Burials 1; Communicants—number reported last year 22, received 1, admitted 1, died 1, removed 4, dropped 1, present number—male 3, female 15, total 18; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 18. Church Services—No services have been held except as the General Missionary has visited the Mission, on the first Sunday of every month, when the Holy Communion has been celebrated.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of—Money from Harrison Spofford's Estate for Chapel, deposited in Savings Bank, in name of A. M. Albee, $2,540.31; house and lot $3,000, insured for $1,000; title vested in William J. Harris, Trustee for St. Mark's Mission; total value of all property belonging to the Mission $5,540.31.

INDEBTEDNESS—Mortgages or other liens $1,700.00.

INCOME of the Mission:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 17 20	Salary paid the Minister,	$ 16 50
Rents,	122 50	For care of Church, etc.,	23 75
Annual subscriptions,	32 19	Insurance,	6 00
Offerings,	43 08	Interest on debts,	114 00
From Ladies' Aid Society,	151 39	Reduction of debts.	200 00
Other Aid from without the Mission,	5 00	All other disbursements,	13 87
Other sources,	100 00	Total for purposes of the Mission,	$374 12
		Surplus,	97 24
Total income,	$471 36		$471 36

Offerings for objects outside the Mission:

Diocesan Missions	$ 5 00
Missionary Box	3 15
Sum of all receipts	$479 51

ST. AUGUSTINE'S MISSION, NORTH TROY.

REV. ALEX. AUG. CAIRNS, Missionary.
Appointed May 12, 1894.

DR. DANA JEWELL MORRILL, Licensed Lay Reader.

DR. DANA JEWELL MORRILL, Warden, Secretary and Treasurer.

Families 9; Number of persons 36; Baptism—infant 1; Burial 1; Communicants—number reported last year 22, received 2, died 1, removed 7, dropped or suspended 2; present number—male 3, female 11, total 14; Number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 11; Sunday School—teachers 3, pupils 12. Church Services—Holy Communion, third Sunday in month. Other Services—Sundays, third Sunday in month, A. M.; other Sundays, P. M.; Advent and Lent and during warm weather, Wednesday P. M.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of—Church, consecrated 1893; value, including furnishings, etc., $2,800; insured for $1,100; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese.

INDEBTEDNESS—Unpaid Diocesan assessments, $7.50; all other debts of the Mission, $14.25; total indebtedness, $21.75.

INCOME of the Mission:		EXPENDITURE:	
Offerings,	$ 65 72	Salary paid the Minister,	$247 50
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese:	150 00	For care of church, etc.,	18 22
From the Board of Land Agents,	50 00	For convention expenses,	5 00
Total income,	$265 72	Total for purposes of the Mission,	$265 72

Offerings for objects outside the Mission:

Diocesan Missions	$5 00
Sum of all receipts	$270 72

ST. PAUL'S MISSION, WHITE RIVER JUNCTION.

REV. ALGERNON T. BROWN, Missionary.
Appointed May 25, 1894.

ARTHUR G. BUGBEE, Licensed Lay Reader.

SAMUEL L. FARMAN, Warden.

SAMUEL L. FARMAN, Secretary.

EDWIN DAVIS, Treasurer.

Families 30; Number of persons 107; Baptisms, infant 6; Confirmations—male 2, female 4, total 6; Burials 2; Communicants—number reported last year 45, received 9, admitted 7, died 1; present number—male 19, female 41, total 60; number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 48; Sunday School—teachers 4, pupils 20. Church Services—Holy Communion, Sundays and other Holy days. Other Services—Sundays, P. M.; every other Sunday A. M.; Lent, Evensong, daily; Catechising monthly.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of—Church, erected 1874; consecrated 1894; value, including furnishings, etc., $2,500; insured for $2,000; title vested in the Trustees of the Diocese. The salary promised to the minister is $1,000 a year.

INCOME of the Mission :		EXPENDITURES :	
Balance from last year,	$ 207 24	Salary paid the minister,	$1,021 00
Annual subscriptions,	337 15	For music,	11 60
Offerings,	67 44	For care of church, etc.,	19 00
From Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	300 00	Insurance,	10 00
From the Board of Land Agents,	150 00	Improvement of property,	28 37
Other aid without the Mission,	46 00	For convention expenses,	9 00
Woman's Auxiliary,	95 00	All other disbursements,	50 59
Young Ladies' Guild,	80 00	Total for purposes of the Mission,	$1,149 65
		Surplus,	133 18
Total income,	$1,282 83		$1,282 83

Communion Alms		$ 10 87
Offerings for objects outside the Mission,		
Diocesan Mission	$ 55 00	
Bishop's Visitation Fund	7 54	
Total for Diocese objects		62 54
For Domestic Missions	5 00	
For Colored Missions	2 67	
Total for Domestic Missions		7 67
For Foreign Missions	9 10	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	3 75	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		20 52
Sum of all receipts		$1,376 76

HOLY TRINITY MISSION, WINOOSKI.

REV. CLARENCE WATTS MCCULLY, Missionary:
Appointed 17th June, 1895.

JAMES D. TANNER, Warden
GEORGE D. NASH, Secretary.
JOHN K. NASH, Treasurer.

Families 32, number of persons 190; Baptisms—adult 3, infant 15, total 18; Confirmations—male 3, female 2, total 5; Marriage 1; Burials 6; Communicants—number reported last year 56, received 14, admitted 5, died 2, removed 6, dropped 7, present number, male 24, female 36, total 60; number of these who have received the Holy Communion during the past year 60; Sunday School—teachers 6, pupils 38; Church Services—Holy Communion Sundays and other Holy days; Other Services—Sundays A. M. and P. M., Holy days A. M. Wednesdays P. M., and Wednesday and Friday A. M.;

Litany—Advent and Lent, Wednesday and Friday A. M. and P. M., Holy week, daily A. M. and P. M.

THE PROPERTY of the Mission consists of—Church, erected 1875, consecrated 1877; value, including furnishings, etc., $4,925; insured for $2,200; title vested in Trustees of the Diocese. The salary promised to the Minister is $785 a year.

INCOME of the Mission:		EXPENDITURE:	
Balance from last year,	$ 10 09	Salary paid the Minister,	$ 785 00
Annual subscriptions,	341 65	For music,	74 90
Offerings:		For care of Church, etc.,	24 35
(a) for regular expenses of the Mission,	107 49	Insurance,	12 43
		For convention expenses,	5 00
(b) for special purposes of the Mission,	75 88	All other disbursements,	1005 00
		Total for purposes of the Mission,	$1901 68
For new organ,	600 00	Surplus,	63 43
Special gifts of members of the Congregation, Litany desk and Prayer desk (memorial,	25 00		
From the Missionary Committee of the Diocese,	150 00		
From the Board of Land Agents,	35 00		
Other aid from without the Mission,	300 00		
For new organ,	300 00		
Total income,	$1965 11		$1965 11

Offerings for objects outside the Mission:

Diocesan Missions	$ 20 00	
For Domestic Missions	41 00	
For Foreign Missions	17 50	
For other purposes outside the Diocese	2 50	
Total for objects outside the Diocese		61 00
Sum of all receipts		$2046 11

Diocesan Missionary's Report.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese:

In my Report of a year ago I stated that I had personal knowledge of some 250 confirmed persons living where they have no access to the Sacraments and other ordinances of the Church, except as these are infrequently brought to them—chiefly by myself. This was exclusive of 33 communicants at West Rutland and 22 at Springfield, otherwise reported, for whose spiritual oversight I was responsible. Immediately after Convention the rector of St Andrew's Church, St. Johnsbury, having a Deacon to assist him, took charge of Lyndonville and No. Concord, and about three months ago, through a similar arrangement at Trinity Church, Rutland, I was relieved of the care of West Rutland, Proctor and Wallingford. In three other localities those to whom I had ministered came under the immediate care of neighboring rectors of missionary spirit,—all together relieving me of the care of 76 of our own "scattered" communicants besides those at West Rutland. To those who were left 66 have been added during the year by confirmation or by discovery, so that there are now 240 of these scattered confirmed members of the Church, who look to me for their pastoral care, besides the 20 communicants of St. Mark's Mission, Springfield, with whom I still hold service once a month—the only service which they have. Including these 240 confirmed persons, my widely scattered "parish" consists of something like 600 baptized members, to some of whom I can minister only once or twice during the year, and to the large majority only three or four times. While seeking out and minister-

ing to these, I have incidentally been brought into contact with large numbers of people outside our fold, about half of my Sunday services having been held in places of worship belonging to other Christian bodies, still freely offered for the purpose, giving me the opportunity to bring the services and the doctrines of the Church to the attention of at least 4000 different people. I have visited 80 different towns and villages; have held 135 Sunday and many week-day services; have celebrated the Holy Communion 65 times; have baptized 9 infants and 7 adults—a a total of 16; have directly or indirectly presented 11 persons for confirmation, and have 9 more awaiting the opportunity to receive that Rite.

Within our Church lines my work on Sundays has been, —service with Holy Communion monthly at St. Mark's Mission, Springfield; the same once in two months (until Christmas) at Grace Church, West Rutland; twice assisting two of my brethren to do important missionary work at points near their respective cures; once at the Mission of the Good Shepherd, Barre, in the necessary absence of the Missionary; besides which I have taken the week-day services a few times in parishes temporarily vacant. Beyond this my "rule" has been,—as many visits as possible to scattered families and individuals; cottage services on week-day evenings; baptisms and talks about confirmation, the prayer-book, etc., at such gatherings; celebrations of the Holy Communion whenever possible, chiefly at private houses of communicants; and public services—two and sometimes three on Sundays—in such places as are to be had for the purpose, usually some place of worship freely offered.

During the last six months I have taken pains to visit some of those "country academies," which have done and

are still doing so much for the intellectual and moral education of a large number of young men and women, who would otherwise find it very difficult, if not impossible, to secure an advanced education. In most cases I have held one or more services largely attended by these young people. The principal of one of these institutions, himself an earnest Congregationalist, said to me that he regarded it as due to these young people *as an item of their education*, that they should know something about the Episcopal Church. We, of course, think that they could not have too much of that kind of education.

I am glad to believe that *The Mountain Echo* has so largely commended itself as a *missionary* agent, helping in some small degree, at least, to increase the interest of our Church folk in what is going on in the Diocese. From 2000 to 2300 copies are sent out at each quarterly issue. The details of my work, therein contained, make it unnecessary that I should go further into particulars in this Report except to say that we have a little more than $2,500 in hand for a chapel at Springfield, which we can safely proceed to build, so soon as we can raise $300 more to pay upon the lot.

It would be both ungracious and ungrateful, if I should fail to record anew my thorough appreciation of the continued and efficient interest of the Woman's Auxiliary in this "general missionary" work. I am afraid, that without the aid of these devoted women we should be helpless. May their interest never be less!

WM. J. HARRIS,
Diocesan Missionary.

Rutland, June 1, 1896.

Parishes.	Associated with	Rectors.	Souls.	Baptisms.	Confirmed.	No. of Communicants.	No. of male Communicants.	No. of Teachers in Sunday School.	No. of Children in Sunday School.	Marriages.	Burials.	Salary of Rector.	Rectory.	Aid from Board of Land Agents.	Aid from Missionary Committee.
Arlington		J. C. Carnahan	250	7	2	139	42	8	50	4	11	$ 700.00	Yes	$ 46 00	
Bellows Falls		D. S. Sanford	602	27	9	194	60	11	105	7	22	1,200.00	Yes		
Bennington		G. L. Richardson	379	11	2	167	50	16	85	1	8	1,000.00	Yes		
Berkshire	Montgomery	F. H. Blunt	86	5		44	17	5	43	7	4	320.00	Yes	50 00	
Bethel	Royalton	I. B. Trevett	93	1		56	14	2	20		2	not st'd	Yes	136 17	
Brandon	Forestdale	W. F. Weeks	208	14	5	106	18	5	41	4	10	1,000.00	Yes	100 00	
Brattleboro	Guilford	W. H. Collins	250	12	11	140	28	9	67	5	14	1,100.00	Yes		
Burlington		J. I. Bliss	1097	28	29	581	186	21	198	10	20	2,000.00	Yes		
		G. G. Bliss, asst.										1,200.00			
Chester	Proctorsville	J. O. Davis	89	3	3	47	9	3	40	1	3	474.00	Yes	75 00	
Enosburgh	Enos'bgh Fl's	E. S. Stone	56	1		25	7	2	17		1	900.00	No	95 00	$100 00
Enos'bgh F'ls	Enosburgh	E. S. Stone	182	32	7	101	29	5	60	4	5		Yes	95 00	
Guilford	Brattleboro	W. H. Collins	20			11	2				1		Yes	50 00	
Highgate		G. A. Wilkins	50	6	3	20	4	3	17	3	1	400.00	No	98 00	100 00
Hydeville	F.H'vn,Cl'ton	W. P. Thomas	100	8	2	32	13	2	18		3	210.00	No	50 00	100 00
Island Pond		A. Binnington	250	7	8	50	12	3	20	2		800.00	No	62 60	259 50
Manch'tr C'tr	Manchester	C. S. Lewis	160	23		95	26	6	40		5	650.00	Yes	41 68	
Middlebury	E. Middleb'ry	D. A. Bonnar	200	12		119	38		13	1	2	800 00	Yes		
Montgomery	Berkshire	F. H. Blunt	82	13	4	43	9	5	28			280.00	No	75 00	
Montpelier		A. N. Lewis	352	13	8	190	59	10	104	7	13	1,200.00	Yes		
Northfield		G. J. Sutherland	104	11		59	20	6	50	1	4	700.00	Yes	75 00	
Poultney	Wells	E. R. Randal	259	16	7	119	23	6	40	3	5	800.00	No	95 00	
Randolph	Rand'lph C'tr	Homer White	69	2	2	54	14	3	18	1	8	600.00	No	75 00	
Rand'lph C'tr	Randolph	" "	50	1	1	40	8	2	12			400.00	No	75 00	175 00
Royalton	Bethel	J. B. Trevett,	50			33	9			1	1	150.00	No	60 00	
Rutland	W. Rutland	T. B. Foster	928	44	1	573	181	9	170	14	18	1,800.00	Yes		
W. Rutland	Rutland	A. W. Stone ast	67	3	5	34	10	2	15			600.00	Yes		50 00

St. Albans		A. B. Flanders	762	27	21	448	167	17	210	20	19	1,500.00	Yes		
St. Johnsb'ry	Lyndonville & N. Concord	F. Appleton S. Alling, asst.		11		219	65	12	98	8	6	1,000.00	Yes		54 00
Shelburne		B. W. Atwell	121	7		59	19	3	22	2	8	1.500.00	No		
Sheldon			60	4		34	8	1	6		2	not st'td	Yes	53	75 00
Swanton		F. M. Garland	145	13	7	61	12	5	45	2	3	780.00	Yes	75	175 00
Vergennes		H. LeF. Grabau	199	10	5	123	57	4	35	1	9	1.000.00	Yes		
Wells															
Windsor		E. N. Goddard	125	10		77	19	5	30	2	4		Yes	50	
Woodstock		F. W. Smith	140	12	2	60	15	3	28	1	8	1,000.00	Yes		
Missions.		**Missionaries.**													
Barre		A. D. Brown	286	18	10	103	37	5	72	4	5	600.00	Yes	100 00	$300 00
Cambridge			15	1		7	1	1	2				No		200 00
Cam'ge C'tr			4	1		3	0				1		No		79 17
Fairfax		G. Graves	66	3	1	19	7		8				Yes	70 00	50 00
Georgia		S. E. Hanger,	36	1		10	0	2	10		2		No	70 00	25 00
Jericho		Deacon Ass't.	37		1	20	5	1	4		1		No		400 00
Milton			44			16	1	1	6	1			No	70 00	150 00
E. Middleb'ry	Middlebury	D. A. Bonnar	30			21	2			1			No		87 50
FairHaven	Hydeville	W. P. Thomas	120	7	3	57	13	5	25	1	5	450.00	No	50 00	100 00
Castleton			30	5	7	24	4	5	34			190.00	No	50 00	100 00
Forestdale	Brandon	W. F. Weeks	44	3	1	12	1	3	18	3	1		No		100 00
Lyndonv'le	St. Johnsbr'y	F. Appleton	93	4		40	11	2	16	1	1		No		145 80
N. Concord		S. H. Alling	67	8	7	14	4	1	12				No		145 80
Manchester	Manch'tr C'tr	C. S. Lewis	20			7	2						No		
Newport		A. A. Cairns	164	19	6	63	21	6	36	7	1		No	50 00	150 00
North Troy			36	1		14	3	3	12		1		No	50 00	150 00
Proctorsville	Chester	J. O. Davis	58	2	4	24	5	4	35	1		525.00	No	95 00	200 00
Richford		J. Simonds	90	5	6	39	8	4	25	3	2	600.00	No		
Springfield		Diocesan Mis'ary	45		1	18	3				1		No		
W. R. Junct.		A. T. Brown	107	6	6	60	19	4	20		2	500.00	No	150 00	300 00
Olcott			46	1	3	25	8						No		
Winooski		C. W. McCully	190	18	5	60	24	6	38	1	6	785.00	No	35 00	150 00
Totals			9213	497	205	4809	1429	247	2118	131	249				

* Salary not stated

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

	PAROCHIAL INCOME.								
	Rents and Interest.	Entertainments.	Pew Rents.	Subscriptions.	Offerings.	Other Sources.	Communion Alms.	Other Alms for the Poor.	Total Parochial Income.
Arlington	$176.52	$150.00	$	$ 344.10	$ 428.98	$.....	$ 5.82	$.....	$1,105.4
Bellows Falls	180.50	.....	1,579.20	158.16	784.91	.....	65.57	10.00	2,778.3
Bennington	.....	165.66	.....	1,274.06	475.15	.....	61.76	60.20	2,036.8
Berkshire	.....	.....	.....	.....	301.65	.....	5.00	.....	306.6
Bethel	114.37	162.50	.....	182.25	82.28	.....	.....	.....	541.4
Brandon	851.91	195.14	.....	95.00	450.99	.....	20.02	.....	1,613.0
Brattleboro	.....	.....	.....	1,473.58	379.76	.....	127.18	14.31	1,994.8
Burlington	.....	.....	5,483.10	.....	6,166.77	435.63	705.69	287.00	13,078.1
Chester	.....	100.00	404.65	.....	102.04	.....	14.49	.....	621.1
Enosburgh	10.00	7.00	.....	117.26	43.13	5.77	4.91	.....	188.0
Enosburgh Falls	.....	81.00	.....	583.33	73.75	5.78	10.32	.....	754.1
Guilford	70.00	.....	.....	.....	23.31	.....	.....	.....	93.3
Highgate	.....	6.00	.....	90.00	39.80	.....	6.20	.....	142.0
Hydeville	.....	24.50	.....	95.45	116.55	.....	.....	.....	236.5
Island Pond	.....	80.00	.....	375.80	114.08	51.50	27.91	.....	649.2
Manchester Centre	130.68	76.99	.....	.....	656.63	.....	41.21	.....	905.5
Middlebury	600.18	10.70	.....	.....	691.16	.....	.....	.....	1,302.0
Montgomery	.....	.....	.....	.....	222.15	.....	.....	.....	222.1
Montpelier	314.70	.....	1,596.86	.....	947.88	38.27	97.31	25.50	3,020.5
Northfield	222.50	249.02	.....	255.00	420.66	22.02	4.51	.....	1,173.7
Poultney	65.00	.....	.....	326.41	466.98	104.00	3.38	14.00	979.7
Randolph	5.27	173.00	.....	512.89	187.52	8.14	.....	.....	886.8
Randolph Centre	36.00	7.00	.....	115.00	79.17	.....	.....	.....	237.1
Royalton	.....	.....	.....	.....	140.73	.....	.....	.....	140.7
Rutland	.....	105.00	3,086.01	.....	987.04	.....	104.40	.....	4,282.4
West Rutland	85.00	32.23	.....	.....	115.57	.....	.....	.....	232.8
St. Albans	122.00	275.00	.....	458.00	2,501.64	.....	189.45	110.00	3,656.0
St. Johnsbury	206.04	133.49	.....	.....	1,263.74	5.89	.....	.....	1,609.1
Shelburne	.....	.....	.....	2,110.00	567.56	.....	108.14	.....	2,785.7
Sheldon	92.66	.....	.....	90.00	23.27	.....	1.62	.....	207.5
Swanton	70.00	176.52	.....	766.23	695.08	.....	10.00	.....	1717.8
Vergennes	595.73	.....	.....	75.00	1,317.84	.....	15.77	5.40	2,009.7
Wells	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Windsor	28.24	110.58	.....	.....	782.15	.....	.....	.....	920.9
Woodstock	588.72	376.65	6.00	493.20	361.27	.....	.....	.....	1,825.8
MISSIONS.									
Barre	330.82	199.84	.....	.....	682.24	61.59	.....	.....	1,274.4
Cambridge	.....	34.95	.....	.....	17.29	6.50	.....	.....	56.7
Cambridge Centre	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.60	6.50	.....	.....	10.1
Castleton	.....	12.77	.....	43.42	123.89	.....	.....	.....	180.0
North Concord	.....	.....	.....	21.35	63.55	.....	.....	.....	84.9
Fairfax	125.00	.....	.....	42.90	31.10	.....	.....	1.00	200.0
Fair Haven	.....	88.89	.....	300.00	84.08	.....	.....	.....	472.9
Forestdale	.....	56.02	.....	.....	44.02	.....	.....	.....	100.0
Georgia	100.00	.....	.....	33.00	5.00	.....	.....	.....	138.0
Jericho	.....	.....	.....	50.00	48.53	.....	.....	.....	98.5
Lyndonville	.....	27.63	.....	.....	211.75	.....	.....	.....	239.3
Manchester	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.63	.....	.....	.....	3.6
East Middlebury	.....	.....	.....	.....	58.01	.....	.....	.....	58.0
Milton	.....	21.85	.....	77.50	43.70	.....	.....	.....	143.0
Newport	.....	199.90	.....	315.74	59.66	.....	.....	.....	575.3
Olcott	.....	.....	.....	.....	63.69	.....	.....	.....	63.6
Proctorsville	.....	.....	.....	.....	245.18	.....	30.64	3.00	278.8
Richford	.....	15.00	.....	.....	302.90	22.80	.....	.....	430.4
Springfield	122.50	35.00	.....	32.19	194.47	.....	.....	.....	384.1
North Troy	.....	.....	.....	.....	65.72	.....	.....	.....	65.7
White River Junct'n	.....	175.00	.....	337.15	67.44	.....	10.87	.....	590.4
Winooski	.....	182.28	.....	341.65	601.09	.....	.....	.....	1,125.0
Diocesan Schools	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals	$5,244.34	$3,747.11	$12,155.32	$11,585.62	$25,091.73	$774.09	$1,672.17	$530.41	$60,801.3

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

	OFFERINGS.									
	DIOCESAN.				OUTSIDE THE DIOCESE.					
	Missions.	Aged and Infirm Clergy.	Other.	Total Diocesan Offerings.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Armenians.	Other Offerings Outside the Diocese.	Total Offerings Outside the Diocese.	Sum of all Offerings.
Arlington	$ 75.00	$	$ 5.00	$ 80.00	$ 30.75	$16.25	.. ..	$ 14.00	$ 61.00	$ 919.9
Bellows Falls	58.32	8.16	135.53	202.01	114.00	30.15	$ 23.96	.. ..	168.11	1,388.7
Bennington	111.00	4.94	17.64	133.58	26.78	18.19	10.50	6.00	61.47	2,066.2
Berkshire	22.00	1.80	5.00	28.80	39 10	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	39.10	374.5
Bethel	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	25.00	4.90	5.00	.. ..	34.90	299.4
Brandon	37.77	.. ..	7.48	45.25	8.48	13.38	8.25	4.29	34.40	645.6
Brattleboro	80.00	6.35	.. ..	86.35	12.06	13.06	1.00	2.31	28.43	2,109.6
Burlington	756.94	32.65	35.24	824.83	90.55	85.86	110.81	185.11	472.33	8,456.6
Chester	12.29	.. ..	.. ..	12.29	7.31	7.01	.. ..	.35	14 67	143.4
Enosburgh	24.70	.95	1.85	27.50	6.45	3.70	3.00	2.50	15.65	208.4
Enosburgh Falls	36.85	2.65	5.73	45.23	10.60	14.55	.25.00	1.50	51.65	764.2
Guilford	10.00	.. ..	7.00	17 00	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	40.3
Highgate	3.40	1.20	2.40	7.00	1.00	1.00	.. ..	.. ..	2.00	145.0
Hydeville	17.50	2.00	3.68	23.18	.. ..	3.00	.. ..	.. ..	3.00	238.1
Island Pond	37.50	.. ..	7.14	44.64	4.00	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	4.00	566.4
Manchester Centre	61.95	1.00	9.37	72.32	49.51	52.46	2.00	1.60	105.57	875.7
Middlebury	47.95	.. ..	4.08	52.03	3.39	3.38	.. ..	1.10	7.87	751.0
Montgomery	20.00	1.10	.. ..	21.10	15.00	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	15.00	258.2
Montpelier	201.96	.. ..	21.25	223.21	44.68	44.68	23.57	.. ..	112.93	1,406.8
Northfield	44.00	2.00	.. ..	46.00	16.72	12.14	.. ..	3.25	32.11	758.2
Poultney	75.55	.. ..	24.72	100.27	52.89	.. ..	.. ..	2.01	54.90	965.9
Randolph	30.00	1.30	11.36	42.66	7.33	7.33	3.25	.95	18.86	761.9
Randolph Centre	25.00	.. ..	4.51	29.51	29.24	2.74	.. ..	5.40	37.38	261.0
Royalton	15.00	.. ..	.. ..	15.00	7.43	8.42	.. ..	2.00	17.85	173.5
Rutland	140.50	5.00	.. ..	145.50	39.79	14.80	.. ..	.. ..	54.59	1,291.5
West Rutland	42.00	.. ..	.. ..	42.00	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	157.5
St. Albans	100.00	6.37	8.47	114.84	44.70	9.46	18.00	.. ..	72.16	3.446.0
St. Johnsqury	75.00	.....	125.00	200.00	12.33	6.33	.....	.....	18.66	1,482 4
Shelburne	125.00	.....	.....	125.00	67.00	52.00	5.08	.....	124.08	3,034.7
Sheldon	1.90	.....	3.15	5.05	1.50	1 50	.....	.....	3.00	122.9
Swanton	25.86	5.71	3.15	34.72	3.38	13.50	10.00	.....	26.88	1,532.9
Vergennes	75.00	4.00	.....	79.00	16.43	12.92	7.00	.....	36.35	1,529.3
Wells	.. ..	.....	.....	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..	.....	.....	.. ..	.. ..
Windsor	65.05	5.05	.....	70.10	29.33	44.33	.....	23.63	97.29	949.5
Woodstock	50.75	5.00	28.00	83 75	68.32	13.00	11.00	3.50	95.82	1,034.0
MISSIONS.										
Barre	28.10	.....	.....	28.00	16.49	16.49	13.58	.....	46.56	756.8
Cambridge	10.00	.50	.....	10.50	.24	.24	.50	.....	.98	28.7
Cambridge Centre	10.25	.86	.....	11.11	.75	.75	.....	.....	1.50	16.2
Castleton	5.00	.....	.....	5.00	.. ..	.. ..	.....	.....	.. ..	172.3
North Concord	2.00	.....	.....	2.00	.. ..	.. ..	.....	.....	.. ..	86.9
Fairfax	20.00	3.00	6.27	29.27	.96	2.16	1.81	.....	4.93	109.2
Fair Haven	47.50	1.50	3.09	52.09	.. ..	.. ..	.....	.....	.. ..	436.1
Forestdale	5.22	.....	.....	5.22	.....	.....	.....	.....	.. ..	49.2
Georgia	13.00	1.00	8.05	22.05	1.85	1.51	.33	3.00	6.69	66.7
Jericho	13.00	1.50	6.61	21.11	1.35	1.34	.68	.....	3.37	123.0
Lyndonville	3.10	.....	.....	3.10	4.00	4.00	.....	.....	8.00	222.8
Manchester	20.04	.....	.....	20.04	.. ..	.. ..	.....	.....	.. ..	23.6
East Middlebury	.....	.....	.....	.. ..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	58.0
Milton	20.01	1.00	5.22	26.23	3.18	3.19	.87	.....	7.24	154.6
Newport	22.01	1.11	4.32	27.44	13.28	12.72	.....	1.44	27.44	430.3
Olcott	.....	.....	.....	.. ..	2.55	2.00	.....	.....	4.55	68.2
Proctorsville	11.42	.....	6.85	18.27	3.15	3.19	.....	.30	6.64	303.7
Richford	10.00	.....	.....	10.00	3.30	7.42	.....	.....	10.72	383.6
Springfield	5.00	.....	.....	5.00	.. ..	.. ..	.....	.....	.. ..	231.6
North Troy	5.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	70.7
White River Junct'n	55.00	.....	7.54	62.54	7.67	9.10	3.75	.....	20.52	498.5
Winooski	20.00	.....	.....	20.00	41.00	17.50	.....	2.50	61.00	1,023.7
Diocesan Schools	65.00	.....	.....	65.00	50.10	19.43	24.13	.....	93.66	158.6
Totals	$2,896.29	$107.70	$524.70	$3,528.69	$1034.92	$611.08	$313.07	$266.74	$2,225.81	$44,614.4

APPENDIX R

A CHARGE, &c.

My Brethren of the Clergy and of the Laity:

In accordance with my promise last year, and in obedience to the direction of the general canon,* I propose at this, our third meeting in annual Convention since my consecration to the See, to deliver a more formal Charge to the clergy and laity of the Diocese, as distinct from the yearly Convention Address, which deals more particularly with matters of diocesan concern.† Our canon regards the Chief Pastor as bound to be in an especial sense the Teacher of the flock committed to him, as well as their Ruler.

"Points of Christian doctrine, worship, or manners" are mentioned by the canon as subjects for such instruction from

* Title I., Canon 19, § ix. It is deemed proper that every Bishop of this Church shall deliver, at least once in three years, a charge to the Clergy of his Diocese, unless prevented by reasonable cause. And it is also deemed proper that, from time to time, he shall address to the people of his Diocese Pastoral Letters on some points of Christian doctrine, worship, or manners.

† Title I., Canon 20, § ii. At every Annual Diocesan Convention, the Bishop shall deliver an Address, stating the affairs of the Diocese since the last meeting of the Convention; the names of the Churches which he has visited; the number of persons confirmed; the names of those who have been received as Candidates for Orders, and of those who have been ordained, suspended, or degraded; the changes by death, removal, or otherwise, which have taken place among the Clergy; and, in general, all matters tending to throw light on the affairs of the Diocese; which address shall be inserted on the journals.

the Bishop to the people of his Diocese. With regard to *worship* I have already at different times made several suggestions.* I can conceive scarcely any more important point of Christian *doctrine* or *manners* than that which I have chosen for the subject of this Charge, THE DISCIPLINE OF THE CHURCH CONCERNING MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE.

Discipline, I suppose, most will acknowledge to be our weak point. In general our laws and standards, whether concerning Christian faith or practice, are excellent; but they are poorly enforced. In this particular of Marriage and Divorce I cannot but think our existing law to be unsatisfactory; while, partly from ambiguity in the provisions of the law, and partly from its principles being seldom explained, our practice oftentimes falls short even of its requirements.†

*Convention Address, 1894, *Journal*, pp. 69–71. Convention Address, 1895, *Journal*, pp. 34–40. "Notes on the Use of the Prayer Book" (E. & J. B. Young & Co., New York). Address to Choirs, *The Mountain Echo* for January, 1895. "Suggestions for Reverent Behaviour in Church," cards (The Tuttle Printing Company, Rutland, Vt.).

† TITLE II., CANON 13.

Of Marriage and Divorce.

§ i. If any persons be joined together otherwise than as God's Word doth allow, their marriage is not lawful.

§ ii. No Minister, knowingly after due inquiry, shall solemnize the marriage of any person who has a divorced husband or wife still living, if such husband or wife has been put away for any cause arising after marriage; but this Canon shall not be held to apply to the innocent party in a divorce for the cause of adultery, or to parties once divorced seeking to be united again.

§ iii. If any Minister of this Church shall have reasonable cause to doubt whether a person desirous of being admitted to Holy Baptism, or to Confirmation, or to the Holy Communion, has been married otherwise than as the Word of God and discipline of this Church allow, such Minister, before

More cases connected with this subject have been submitted to my judgment and decision in the two years of my Episcopate than concerning any similar question of Discipline.

I had hoped for a clear utterance on the subject at the last General Convention, and for the removal of the ambiguities with which the canon abounds. In default of this, it seems to me the duty of individual Bishops to speak out for the instruction and guidance of both clergy and lay people.

Two general observations I must make at the outset:

1. The Christian Church has a code of morals just as imperious in its claims as the rule of faith given in the Creeds. The Clergy are commissioned to teach the Christian Religion which is to guide and hallow men's lives. To bear witness to the Divine law is the very purpose of the Church's existence in the world. If she is to leaven human society, she must faithfully uphold this standard at any cost; and that, both by her teaching, and by the exercise of discipline, refusing her privileges to those who transgress the Divine commandment.

This witness, I would remind you, is the duty not only of the Church's rulers, and of the Church collectively, in Synod or Convention, but of individual Christian people. Laws, to be enforced, whether ecclesiastical or civil, must have a back-

receiving such person to these ordinances, shall refer the case to the Bishop for his godly judgment thereupon: *Provided, however*, that no Minister shall, in any case, refuse the Sacraments to a penitent person in imminent danger of death.

§ iv. Questions touching the facts of any case arising under Section ii. of this Canon shall be referred to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction in which the same may occur; or if there be no Bishop of such Diocese or Missionary Jurisdiction, then to some Bishop to be designated by the Standing Committee; and the Bishop to whom such questions have been so referred shall thereupon make inquiry in such manner as he shall deem expedient, and shall deliver his judgment in the premises.

§ v. This Canon, so far as it affixes penalties, does not apply to cases occurring before it takes effect, according to Title IV., Canon 4.

ground of public opinion. Hence the importance of being rightly informed as to the Christian law in this as in other matters, as well as of faithfulness and courage in bearing witness to it.

2. All will agree that there can be no subject of graver importance than those connected with the sacredness of the Family. The Family is God's first institution upon earth, the cradle alike of Church and State; and Marriage is the foundation of the Family. Where family life is dishonoured, wedded unfaithfulness lightly regarded, parental responsibility neglected, filial respect and obedience slighted, there we may be sure society is rotten at the core. One trembles for the future of a state or nation where lax theories concerning domestic life gain ground. Even laxer practice will certainly abound. "The purity of the household," it has been well said, "is the salt of our civilization; the true life of every nation keeps pace with the purity of the family." *

Accordingly, when our Lord came to restore human nature, He began His work of reformation at the source of human life, in the family. Born of a Virgin mother, He became one not only of the human race, but of a human family. As a child He was subject to His parents.† Among His dying words was His provision for His bereaved mother, as He commended her to the care of His beloved disciple.‡ At the beginning of His ministry He adorned and beautified the marriage estate with His presence and first miracle that He wrought in Cana of Galilee.§ While He distinctly refrained from directly interfering with questions of social or pecuniary

* See (though not for these actual words, the source of which I cannot recall) the lecture on "Christian Marriage," in Luthardt's *Moral Truths of Christianity* (Clark, Edinburgh).

† St. Luke, ii. 51.

‡ St. John, xix. 26, 27.

§ St. John, ii. 1–11.

arrangement,* He seized opportunities to legislate concerning the marriage union, recalling men to its original design and purity.†

"From the beginning of the creation, Male and female made he them. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife; and the twain shall become one flesh: so that they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder. . . . Whosoever shall put away his wife, and marry another, committeth adultery against her; and if she herself shall put away her husband, and marry another, she committeth adultery."‡ This is the law which the Church of Jesus Christ is bound to uphold; to which, with a single doubtful exception to which I shall presently revert, our canon binds us. Official civil statistics prove how great is both the necessity and the difficulty of bearing witness to this law. During the twenty years, from 1867 to 1886, covered by the United States Report,§ divorces increased throughout the United States at a rate more than twice as great as that of the increase of population. The causes for which marriages may be dissolved vary, as you know, in different States. In several States they are as many as ten; in one, fourteen. Our Vermont Statutes (1894) allow a divorce from the bond of matrimony for five causes:

"I. For adultery in either party.

"II. When either party is sentenced to confinement at hard

* St. Luke, xii. 14.

† St. Luke, xvi. 18; St. Matthew, v. 27–32, xix. 3–12; St. Mark, x. 2–12.

‡ St. Mark, x. 6, 7, 8, 11, 12.

§ *A Report on Marriage and Divorce in the United States*, 1867 to 1886. By Carroll D. Wright, Commissioner of Labor. (Revised edition, 1891.) The whole book, with its various tables, is worthy of most careful consideration. See also (in more compact form) *Marriage and Divorce in the United States*, by D. Convers, S.S.J.E. (Lippincott, Philadelphia, 1889.)

labor in the state prison for life, or for three years or more, and is actually confined at the time.

"III. For intolerable severity in either party.*

"IV. For wilful desertion for three consecutive years, or when either party has been absent for seven years and not heard of during that time.

"V. On petition of the wife when the husband has sufficient pecuniary or physical ability to provide suitable maintenance for her, and, without cause, grossly or wantonly and cruelly refuses or neglects to do so." †

These various grounds for divorce, along with facility of procedure in our courts, resulted, according to the official report ‡ made to the Legislature by the Secretary of State for the year 1894 (the last published), in the granting in Vermont of 229 absolute divorces, being in the ratio of one divorce to every 12.34 marriages. Of these, only 37 were granted for the cause of adultery, and in only 17 was it the husband who sought to put away his wife for this cause.

In order to see more clearly the general tendency, and to realize the necessity of arousing the public conscience on the subject, we must remember the large Roman Catholic element (both French and Irish) in our Vermont population. Deducting their marriages, from which (all honour to the Roman Catholic Church) *no* divorces are allowed, the ratio of divorces to marriages among the remainder of the people, what we are accustomed to boast of as native New England stock, will

* For illustrations of what courts may count "intolerable severity," see Wright's *Report*, pp. 172–178 (*e. g.*, 53, 40, 6, 2, 10).

† Vermont Statutes, 1894, Title 17, Ch. 132, Sec. 2674 (p. 507).

‡ *Report to the Legislature of Vermont relating to the Registry and Returns of Births, Marriages, Deaths and Divorces in the State, for the year ending December* 31, *A.D.* 1894.

be as high as one to every 10.12.* By these figures we have as a State nearly reached what had been considered "the lowest exhibit" in the ratio of marriages to one divorce, that of Rhode Island for the twenty years 1867–1886 being only 11.11, Connecticut being nearly as low with 11.32.† These figures are without deduction on account of Roman Catholics.

To thoughtful men it cannot but be a grave question what steps can be taken to arrest by legislation this downward tendency which threatens to establish among us a system of successive polygamy, to make marriage a temporary partnership instead of a lifelong union, and to deprive children of the happiness and protection of a home.‡ With legislative reform

* See Wright's *Report*, p. 122. "Large and increasing as the number of divorces in the United States is, it is an undeniable fact that were it not for the widespread influence of the Roman Catholic Church the number would be much greater. The loyalty of Catholics to the teachings and doctrines of their Church, and the fact that one of the cardinal doctrines of the Church is that Christian Marriage is a holy sacrament which, when consummated, can be dissolved for no cause and in no manner, save by death, has unquestionably served as a barrier to the volume of divorce which, except among the members of that Church, is, and during the past twenty years has been, assuming ever-increasing proportions throughout the country."

Instances which are sometimes urged in contradiction to the above statement do not in reality contradict it, however greatly this or that decision of Roman Catholic authorities may be deplored. They are cases where a marriage has been declared void from the beginning on account of some existing impediment, or at least not to have had the sanction of a Christian Marriage. This, of course, is entirely different from allowing the dissolution of a marriage once rightly contracted.

At the same time the deduction which I have made for Roman Catholic marriages in Vermont (which average close upon 500 a year) is not strictly accurate; for I am afraid there may be several cases of persons who have been married according to the rites of the Roman Catholic Church, who, breaking away from religious restraints, have availed themselves of the provisions of the civil law to obtain an absolute divorce.

† Wright's *Report*, p. 138.

‡ A layman of authority on this subject (Dr. Nathan Allen, of Lowell)

I am not here directly concerned. I fully recognize that the Christian law, as it has been generally understood by the Christian Church from the beginning,* cannot be imposed by civil legislation upon a community broken up into numerous religious societies,† with a large part of the population owning allegiance to no form of Christianity.‡ But this consideration only makes it the more imperative on those who recognize the binding and final authority of Christ's teaching on the subject to do all in their power to spread its influence among individuals and in the corporate life of the State ; and

has written : "Among no Christian or civilized people at this day do we find divorces sought and obtained to such an extent as in New England, and in only three instances in the history of nations can we find such a breaking up of the family by this means." (*North American Review*, June, 1880.)

Compare President Woolsey's words : "Looked at from a Christian standpoint, marriage is in its nature and idea indissoluble. Looked at from a heathenish or atheistic standpoint, it is a contract which two persons badly joined together ought to be able to break, and enter into a new relation with other persons with whom they can [or think they can] be better satisfied." *Divorce and Legislation*, by Theodore D. Woolsey. (Second edition, Scribners', 1882), p. 263.

* For a full presentation of the history of the question in the Christian Church, see *Holy Matrimony, a Treatise on the Divine Laws of Marriage*, by Oscar D. Watkins. (Macmillan, 1895.)

† These great moral principles surely ought to be taken into account in considering the question of the reunion of Christendom. (1) The existence of numerous Christian bodies, in an attitude of rivalry one toward another, is well nigh fatal to the exercise of discipline. (2) Agreement as to fundamental moral questions is as necessary as agreement concerning the transmission of Ministerial authority.

‡ Concerning the distinction and divergence between the Civil and the Divine Law, see Dr. Liddon's sermon on *Christ and Human Law* in the second series of his University Sermons. It is not necessary to follow Dr. Liddon in insisting on the restricted sense which he gives to the word *πορνεία*, in order to appreciate the force of his discussion of this question of divorce and remarriage.

the more imperative on a Church which claims, as we do, to adhere to the primitive and catholic rule of Christian doctrine and discipline, to grant her privileges only in accordance with this rule.

When our canon, like the Prayer Book, declares of persons joined together otherwise than as God's Word doth allow that their marriage is not lawful, we are not disputing the right of the State to make such regulations as it thinks fit concerning the civil contract of marriage, with the consequent legitimacy of children and the inheritance of property. The Church means that, for her purposes, to be recognized as a Christian marriage, and to receive her sanction and authoritative benediction, a marriage union must conform to the Christian law. A Christian minister, a priest of the Church, is not bound to solemnize the marriage of every couple who may apply to him, though they may present a certificate showing that their union would be legal in the eyes of the State.

Following this general principle (that a marriage to receive the Church's blessing must be in accordance with the Divine law), our canon lays down that no divorced person may be remarried (*i.e.*, of course, during the lifetime of the other partner) save the innocent party in a divorce for the cause of adultery. Passing by for the present the question as to the rightfulness or wisdom of this permitted exception, concerning which I have several considerations to urge later, I desire first to call your attention to the strict provisions of the canon as it stands. Permission to enter upon a fresh marriage is conceded only to "the innocent party in a divorce for the cause of adultery;" that is, to one who, being free from any such breach of the marriage vow, has sued in a competent court for a divorce from a guilty partner on the ground of this specified fault, actual overt infidelity, and has obtained a decree of divorce for this proved cause.

Since the matter is often misunderstood, I beg you to note each clause in the above explanation.

1. Only actual, proved adultery is allowed as a cause for divorce.

2. This grievous fault does not, according to any recognized or recognizable theory, of itself break the bond of matrimony, but is only regarded as a ground for its being broken by competent judicial authority.*

3. If for any reason persons are not willing to *allege* this cause, or if they are not able to *prove* it, they cannot take advantage of the permission.

4. The complainant must himself be "innocent." If a counter charge of infidelity could be brought, this would destroy the suitor's standing.

This is the force of the second section of our canon as it now stands. The fourth section seems to admit a certain wider discretion. "Questions touching the facts of any case arising under Section ii. of this canon shall be referred," it says, "to the Bishop of the Diocese . . . in which the same may occur . . . ; and the Bishop to whom such questions have been so referred shall thereupon make inquiry in such manner as he shall deem expedient, and shall deliver his judgment in the premises."

Now, first, I beg you to note that, whatever power of dispensation or exemption is here contemplated, it is committed to the Bishop alone. No discretion in the matter is given to a

* According to Döllinger the theory that adultery *ipso facto* dissolved the marriage bond was commonly held by German Protestant writers. See Appendix III. to Vol. II. of *The First Age of the Church*. The hopeless absurdity of this position will be seen at once by the consideration of the case of a faithful husband (or wife) who is ignorant of the fall of a guilty partner. If the marriage is dissolved by the sin, the continuance of marriage relations is a sin, though one of ignorance.

priest. Whatever pressure may be brought to bear upon a parish clergyman, he is absolutely sheltered. All he can do is to refer the case to the Bishop, or advise the interested parties to do so. Were it not for a curious misunderstanding in a recent notorious case in a neighbouring Diocese,* it would seem unnecessary to explain (what the canon explicitly states) that the reference must be to the Bishop of the Diocese, as the *persona ecclesiae* having jurisdiction within those limits. No other Bishop can deliver any "*judgment*" in the matter. His *opinion*, like that of any other person, would have only the weight belonging to his character, his learning, and his opportunity for knowledge of the facts.

But what is the power which it is intended to commit to the Diocesan? Apparently the canon means that the Bishop may go behind the decision of the court, and make inquiry as to facts which were not alleged or proved in the judicial proceeding; for instance, that in a case where a divorce was granted by a civil court on the ground of desertion, one of the parties, desiring the Church's blessing on a new marriage, might plead before the Bishop that there was the canonical reason for a divorce, adultery, and that this was the real cause for which the divorce was sought, although withheld in the civil proceedings for the sake of avoiding scandal, or at the persuasion of friends, or in ignorance that it would make any difference.

I can only say that if it is the meaning of the section that a Bishop may act on such pleadings, the canon, while intended to secure equity, makes possible the most hideously unfair proceedings; for it would allow and make canonical what would never be tolerated in civil law, *viz.*, a formal decision, based on *ex parte* evidence, and where there was no power to put wit-

* The preparation of this Charge was completed before the Bishop of Massachusetts pronounced his sentence in the case of Mr. Fuller.

nesses on their oath, that an absent and undefended person had been guilty of a grievous crime.

Such a "judgment" might, I suppose, and I hope in many cases would, be followed by a suit for libel in a civil court. It seems imperative that this section of the canon, at any rate, should be amended, and the possibility of the violation of fundamental principles of justice in the name of Church law be prevented.

If the rights of a Bishop as *Judex Ordinarius* are to be recognized, at least safeguards must be provided for the due and equitable exercise of those rights.

Meanwhile, the only manner in which I should feel justified in making such inquiry as the canon seems to contemplate, and, moreover, to make it the duty of the Bishop to institute, if a case be referred to him,* would be to require the applicant to produce before some lawyer designated by the Bishop, who would act as his chancellor and report to him, such evidence to prove the point alleged as would be accepted in a civil court. The result in the great majority of cases would be the prompt withdrawal of the application.

Another section of the canon (the third) deals with the admission to the Sacraments of persons who have been unlawfully married, and are living in such unlawful marriage.

"If any Minister of this Church shall have reasonable cause to doubt whether a person desirous of being admitted to Holy Baptism, or to Confirmation, or to the Holy Communion, has been married otherwise than as the Word of God and discipline of this Church allow,† such Minister, before receiving such person to these ordinances, shall refer the case to the Bishop for his godly judgment thereupon."

* "The Bishop *shall* thereupon make inquiry," etc.

† *i.e.*, the discipline of this Church enforcing God's Word.

The opening words of this section are perhaps somewhat ambiguous. They cannot, however, mean that an individual clergyman may brush away any doubts by his own indifference or light treatment of the question. They must, it seems to me, mean that no person whose marriage is doubtful, about which any reasonable doubt may be raised under the preceding section of the canon, shall be admitted to the Sacraments without reference of the case to the Diocesan.

But then follows the question, What is it intended that the Bishop should do in such a case? Though, in so loosely drawn a canon, it may be perilous to lay stress on verbal differences, there seems to be a distinction intended between this section and the next. In § iii. "the case" is to be referred to the Bishop for his godly judgment; in § iv. "questions touching the facts of any case" are to be referred to him for judicial inquiry. This section seems to give a certain power of discrimination to the Bishop, rendered necessary by the extreme complications which exist in many cases.

The mention of Baptism at once introduces an important question. It must, I think, be regarded as an additional proof of the careless framing of the canon that Baptism should, in this connection, have been placed on precisely the same footing with Confirmation and Holy Communion. A distinction must be made, with regard to the Christian law of marriage, between the case of persons who have not by Baptism been admitted into the Christian Society, with its obligations and its supernatural grace, and the case of those who have been made members of Christ. The marriage of unbaptized persons cannot properly be called Christian marriage; nor can they be held to the strictness of the Christian law of marriage. In many cases such persons had no intention of entering into a lifelong state, nor into a union which might not be dissolved for any of the causes allowed by the civil law, in this or in any other State. Such persons, whatever may

have been the lower idea of marriage previously entertained, must, on their initiation into the Christian Society, rise up to the full requirements of the Christian standard of Holy Matrimony. But the fact that while unbaptized a person had been divorced (that is, a civil marriage had been by civil law dissolved), and had contracted a fresh marriage, should not be an insuperable bar to admission to the Sacrament of Baptism, and to the raising of the existing union to a higher dignity.

A similar equitable consideration may be claimed with reference to admission to Confirmation and Holy Communion. A person may have been baptized outside the communion of the Church, and apart from her discipline. In ignorance of the Christian law, of Christ's teaching on the subject, being uninstructed in such matters (as are, I fear, a great number of people connected with the religious bodies around us), he has obtained a divorce for some other than the canonical cause (which may or may not have existed) and has married again, still outside the Church's discipline, in good faith, with no scruple, because with no knowledge. Now the claims of the Church have come home to such a person ; he (or she) desires to be Confirmed and admitted to Holy Communion. Is he to be refused, unless he breaks up the marriage relation and the second family ? The one from whom he was divorced has perhaps contracted a fresh marriage. Such a case—and there are a good many of this nature—I venture to think may fairly claim a certain equitable consideration, on the ground that the mere administration of Baptism, without realization on the person's part of the obligations therein incurred, and without the exercise of discipline on the part of the Church which should accompany it, cannot be regarded as normal Baptism. For the exercise of a discriminating judgment in such cases, with the greatest caution in each particular instance, and having special reference to the crucial question of the nature

of the contract entered into at the first marriage, the third section of the canon (and perhaps the fourth also) may be fairly understood to provide by ordering the reference of the matter to the Bishop.*

Any further concession which would allow the admission to the Holy Communion of persons who, being subject to the Christian law, are living in violation thereof, would amount to a claim to grant a dispensation from the Divine law. Ignorance may fairly be taken into account as mitigating the initial wrong of contracting an unlawful union; but, if separation be impossible, persons involved in such a union must, it would seem, be debarred from the Holy Communion, occupying the position of penitents, in the same way that a convert to Christianity among polygamists would have to remain in the ranks of the catechumens, until his marriage relations could be conformed to the Christian standard.†

* A word may be added about the proviso at the end of § iii.

In the light both of reason and of ecclesiastical practice this proviso cannot be understood to mean that a dying person may be admitted to the Sacraments without penitence for that particular transgression of God's law which has been the bar to his reconciliation hitherto. This penitence will of course involve readiness to accept whatever decision may be given by competent authority concerning the marriage relation, if the sick person should recover.

† See the decision of the Bishops at the Lambeth Conference of 1888. The Committee on the subject say in their Report: "Your Committee recommend that persons living in polygamy should, on their conversion, be accepted as candidates for Baptism, and kept under Christian instruction until such time as they shall be in a position to accept the law of Christ.

"They consider it far better that Baptism should be withheld from such persons, while nevertheless they receive instruction in the truths of the Gospel, than that a measure should be sanctioned which would tend to lower the conception of the Christian law of marriage, and thus inflict an irreparable wound on the morality of the Christian Church in its most vital part."

The Conference adopted a Resolution embodying this recommendation. See *The Lambeth Conferences of* 1867, 1878, *and* 1888, by Randall T.

Thus far I have spoken of the discipline of our Church as it is now laid down, of our existing rule, which forbids the remarriage of any divorced person during the lifetime of the former partner, save the innocent party in a divorce for the cause of adultery.* I cannot stop without expressing my own belief that this permission of remarriage to the innocent party is a grievous mistake. On what does this permission rest?

So far as the Divine law, the "Word of God," is concerned, on a single passage in one of the Gospels (St. Matt., xix. 9), where, the reading of the manuscripts being exceedingly uncertain, we cannot be sure that we have the actual teaching of our Lord. We have Christ's plain teaching on the subject, reported by St. Mark, by St. Luke, and by St. Paul. By the Lord's commandment, cited in the First Epistle to the Corinthians,† separation in extreme cases is recognized, but all remarriage is forbidden. Christ's words recorded by St. Mark have been already quoted: "Whosoever shall put away his wife and marry another, committeth adultery against her [the first wife]; and if a woman shall put away her husband and be married to another, she committeth adultery."‡

In St. Luke's Gospel He declares: "Whosoever putteth away his wife and marrieth another, committeth adultery; and whosoever marrieth her that is put away from her husband, committeth adultery."§

Davidson, Dean of Windsor (now Bishop of Winchester), S. P. C. K. 1889, pp. 278 and 299.

Such denial of the Church's privileges is not a sentence of final condemnation, but a referring of cases, for which the Church cannot make herself responsible, to the Divine judgment. Compare Bingham, *The Antiquities of the Christian Church*, XVI. ii. 16, *ad fin.*

* This represents the widest allowance for which any Scriptural or primitive sanction can be claimed.

† 1 Cor., vii. 10, 11.

‡ St. Mark, x. 11, 12.

§ St. Luke, xvi. 18.

These passages are plain, and lay down the law for the Christian Church, without any exception, of the indissolubility of marriage once rightly contracted. It would be strange that an intended exception should have been altogether omitted by two out of the three Evangelists who record our Lord's teaching on the subject, as well as by St. Paul, who, writing at an earlier date than that of any of the Gospels, bears witness to the tradition of the Apostolic Church concerning Christ's teaching. Two other passages, both in St. Matthew, deal with the subject: St. Matt., v. 32, "Whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication,* causeth her to commit adultery; and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced † [a divorced woman] committeth adultery."

St. Matt., xix. 9, according to the *Textus Receptus* and the Authorized Version, reads: "Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication,‡ *and shall marry another*, committeth adultery: and whoso marrieth her which is put away,§ doth commit adultery."

In these two passages in St. Matthew our Lord seems to introduce an exception—"saving for the cause of fornication." On this is grounded the permission of our canon for "the innocent party in a divorce for the cause of adultery" to contract a fresh marriage, and the common idea that, according to the Christian law, this, actual proved unfaithfulness, is a ground for dissolving a marriage.‖ Do the words really warrant this permission?

* *παρεκτὸς λόγου πορνείας.*

† *ὃς ἐὰν ἀπολελυμένην γαμήσῃ.*

‡ *εἰ μὴ ἐπὶ πορνείᾳ.*

§ *ὁ ἀπολελυμένην γαμήσας μοιχᾶται.* Not *τὴν ἀπολελυμένην*, which would mean *the* divorced woman, and, in this context, one who had been put away for any but the specified cause. Without the article the words mean *any divorced woman*, for whatever cause she may have been divorced.

‖ In America the Westminster Confession has exercised a very wide and

As regards the passage in the Sermon on the Mount, comparison with the other reports of our Lord's teaching fairly constitutes a presumption that He was not here making an exception to the general law of the indissolubility of Christian marriage, but that He here recognizes (as in 1 Cor., vii. 10, 11) the right of a husband to put away (in separation) an unchaste wife,* without giving any sanction to a fresh union, which could only be allowed on the supposition that the former marriage had been actually dissolved.

The passage in St. Matt., xix. 9 presents a further difficulty; for, as it stands in our received text, it seems to sanction the remarriage of one who for the cause of adultery or fornication has put away his wife. Of course, if we were sure of our Lord's words here and of their meaning, the omission of any such permission from His teaching as given by the other Evangelists would not affect a plain declaration in this one Gospel. But the silence of the other Evangelists naturally leads us to view this passage with a certain suspicion, to subject it to a careful examination. We then find that the text is extremely doubtful; that the words which allow that a man who has put away his wife may marry another are wanting in two of the five great manuscripts; that one of the other three has a confused text in this crucial passage; that the earliest writers of the Christian Church who quote the passage, quote it without the words which allow remarriage; that the Revisers of the English Version in our

deep influence in forming the opinions of religiously disposed people. The Confession definitely takes this position: "In the case of adultery after marriage it is lawful for the innocent party to sue out a divorce, and after the divorce to marry another, as if the offending party were dead."—Ch. xxiv., v.

The restrictions, however, of the Confession with regard to marriage are now to a very large extent disregarded, even among Presbyterians.

* This has been always allowed in the Christian Church.

own generation felt constrained to give in the margin the alternative reading of ancient authority which omits the clause which alone in the whole of the New Testament recognizes the lawfulness of the man's marrying another woman.* Surely it is most perilous to rest so momentous a doctrine as this exception really is on so feeble and doubtful a foundation.†

With this conclusion other arguments drawn from reason or experience are seen to harmonize.

1. The remarriage of the innocent party may shut out the possibility of reconciliation on the repentance of the offender.

2. The distinction as to freedom to remarry between the innocent and the guilty party is logically indefensible. If the innocent party is free to enter on a fresh union, it must be on the ground that the first marriage is dissolved; if the bond of matrimony is dissolved for one, it cannot still exist for the other; so far as the Divine law and the institution of the marriage state are concerned, both must be alike free; the prohibition of another marriage to the guilty party can be only a matter of ecclesiastical discipline, a severe penance being imposed upon one whom past experience has shown to

* Revised Version, margin. Some ancient authorities read: [Whosoever shall put away his wife] *saving for the cause of fornication, maketh her an adulteress;* as in Ch. v. 32.

See *The Marriage of Divorced Persons in Church*, by Dr. Browne, the Bishop of Stepney (Longmans, 1896), pp. 32, 33; and, for a full discussion of the various readings in St. Matt., xix. 9, Watkins's *Holy Matrimony*, pp. 152–167. Bishop Browne's summary of the question I have appropriated in the above paragraph.

† It is a further and questionable inference to suppose that our Lord intended to place the two sexes on an equality in this matter of divorce. His teaching has not been generally so understood by the Christian Church. The *sin* of unfaithfulness, as of impurity, is of course the same in the man as in the woman; but the *consequences* are not the same. Unfaithfulness on the part of a husband produces no confusion of offspring.

be frail, and a safeguard refused where there is special need of it, if it be rightly available.*

3. Experience has shown the great difficulty, in many cases, of deciding whether either of the parties is really "innocent," and the extreme danger of collusion.

4. Experience has shown, moreover, the practical impossibility, when divorce *a vinculo* is allowed for *any* cause, even for that one, of stopping short there. If adultery be a ground for dissolution of the marriage bond, why not imprisonment for life, or incurable insanity, or hopeless desertion? †

For all these reasons I shall advocate in the future, as I have advocated in the past, the withdrawal from our canons of any permission of remarriage after divorce. I believe that the safer and most helpful line for the Church to take would be boldly to say that she will not solemnize with her service of benediction any union which falls short, outwardly at any rate, of the Christian ideal and law of the lifelong union of one man with one woman to the exclusion of all other on either side.‡ Any lower view seems incompatible

* Mr. Hugh Davey Evans, in his very able *Treatise on the Doctrine of Christian Marriage* (New York, 1870), contending that our Lord intended to allow remarriage after a divorce for the cause of adultery, limits the power of divorce to the husband, and extends the right of remarriage to both parties, on the grounds mentioned in the text.

† So the Eastern Church, which, apparently under State influence, relaxed the strict law of the indissolubility of the marriage union, has gone on to permit remarriage after divorce for other causes besides that of adultery. At the same time the canons of the Eastern Church witness to the higher standard, the true ideal, which seems to show that these relaxations are to be regarded in the light of tolerated departures from the Church's law. See *Church Quarterly Review*, January, 1896, pp. 431, 432. Two articles in this *Review* on the subject of divorce may be referred to as worthy of careful reading, in the numbers for April, 1895, and for January, 1896. The latter follows a long and varied controversy on the question in the pages of the London *Guardian*.

‡ It would be a question whether, in view of the *possible* application of

with the tone and words of the Marriage Service, requiring exceptions or limitations to be read into its express and solemn declarations, "to have and to hold from this day forward, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, in sickness and in health . . . till death us do part." So long as the permitted exception is retained in our canon, I should do all in my power to *dissuade* any from availing themselves of the permission, and should myself refuse to have aught to do with such a marriage. But of course neither I nor any priest would have a right to refuse the privileges of the Church to a person who had been so married under the canon.

Lest any should think that in this necessarily somewhat minute examination of Scripture authority and canonical provisions we are dealing with the subject in a petty fashion, allow me, before concluding, to quote the words of three men eminent in secular life, a philosopher, a jurist, and a statesman, which may well serve as an illustration of the general principle that God's "commandments are not grievous" * or arbitrary, that the laws which He has laid down for the regulation of human life do but mark out the path of safety and welfare alike for the individual and for society.

Christ's words to the cases which now come under our permitted exception, the Church should refuse the Sacraments to persons who had contracted such unions, in many cases before coming under her discipline. This is the conclusion of the Bishops at the Lambeth Conference of 1888. The Resolution formally adopted, as distinct from the Report of the Committee, refrained from giving any sanction or encouragement to the marriage by the Church's service of any divorced person (innocent or guilty); but it granted that the innocent party in a divorce for the cause of adultery, if married again under civil sanction, need not be refused the Sacraments of the Church. Bishop Davidson's *Lambeth Conferences*, p. 278.

By the law of the English Church *neither* innocent nor guilty party can marry again; by the English civil law both can.

* 1 St. John, v. 3.

Hear the words of Mr. Hume on the subject: "We need not," he says, "be afraid of drawing the marriage-knot, which chiefly subsists by friendship, the closest possible. The amity between the persons, where it is solid and sincere, will rather gain by it; and where it is wavering and uncertain, this is the best expedient for fixing it. How many frivolous quarrels and disgusts are there which people of common prudence endeavour to forget, when they lie under a necessity of passing their lives together; but which would soon be inflamed into the most deadly hatred, were they pursued to the utmost, under the prospect of an easy separation? . . . . We must consider that nothing is more dangerous than to unite two persons so closely in all their interests and concerns, as man and wife, without rendering the union entire and total. The least possibility of a separate interest must be the source of endless quarrels and suspicions. The wife, not secure of her establishment, will still be driving some separate end or project; and the husband's selfishness, being accompanied with more power, may be still more dangerous." *

Mr. Gladstone, it is well known, persistently opposed the alteration of the English law in 1857, which set up the Divorce Court, with (it is now generally admitted) disastrous results to the community.† Testimony is borne to Mr. Gladstone's unaltered convictions on the subject in an interesting communication to *The Guardian* (July 31, 1895) by the Dean of Lichfield. Mr. Gladstone wrote to Dr. Luckock in connection with the correspondence that followed the publication of the Dean's *History of Marriage*,‡ begging

* Hume's *Essays, Moral, Political, and Literary*, Part I. Essay xix., "Of Polygamy and Divorces," *ad fin.*

† The Divorce Act allows an absolute divorce, with right of remarriage to both parties, for the cause of adultery in the wife, or of adultery with cruelty on the part of the husband.

‡ *The History of Marriage, Jewish and Christian, in relation to Divorce*

him not to yield an inch of the ground, and saying that fifty years ago he had read everything he could find upon the subject, and that nothing that had happened since had shaken the conclusion at which he then arrived on the absolute perpetuity of the marriage tie, save when it was broken by death.*

The words of these great English authorities are echoed by one whose name will have special weight in Vermont.

Mr. Edward J. Phelps wrote in 1889, in an essay suggested by the publication of the report of the United States Commissioner, that he was convinced "as the result of long observation of judicial proceedings in this class of cases, that the remedy will be found in the entire abolition of the sort of divorce that allows the parties, or either of them, to marry again." "What," he asks, "is the objection to the entire abolition of the divorce *a vinculo*, retaining in its place only suitable legal provisions for separation and its incidents, when shown to be necessary? None has ever been stated except the hardship imposed upon the party who is entitled to a separation by the prohibition of a second marriage during the lifetime of the offending husband or wife. That there are cases of not infrequent occurrence where the conduct of one of the parties to a marriage renders a separation unavoidable, but where the other party is blameless, and if set free might reasonably desire and expect a more fortunate relation, is not to be denied. And instances of that sort naturally excite sympathy. But laws should be framed to secure the greatest good of the greatest number. The true and sound policy in legislation is that which is derived from a just survey of the whole field affected, and not from a view of a small part of it.

and Certain Forbidden Degrees, by Herbert Mortimer Luckock, D.D., Dean of Lichfield. Second edition, enlarged. (Longmans, Green & Co., 1895.)

* Reference may also be made to a short paper by Mr. Gladstone on Divorce, in the *North American Review* for December, 1889.

There never was, and there never can be a human law, however salutary and indispensable, that is not fruitful of cases of individual hardship." *

One suggestion in regard to civil legislation I desire to offer, which will fitly follow this quotation from Mr. Phelps's essay. It is this: That we should, as the Convention of the Diocese, present a memorial to the State Legislature praying for the insertion in the Vermont Statutes of a provision for legal separation, divorce *a thoro et mensa*, which would carry with it no permission to contract a second union. There are sad cases where protection of this kind is required. At present, those who recognize the strict law of Christian marriage are either deprived of a protection which they have a right to demand of the State, or, to obtain it, they are forced to seek an absolute divorce, which their conscience condemns. In asking for such a provision to meet conscientious scruples (without interfering with the existing liberty granted by the civil law, deeply as we deplore it), I should hope that we might have the support of many other religious people, individually if not collectively.

I must conclude with a word of exhortation to both clergy and lay people.

I beg of you, my Reverend Brethren, to act in this matter, always and carefully, within the provisions of the Church's law,†

* Article in the *Forum*, December, 1889, by the Hon. E. J. Phelps, Professor of International Law at Yale University, and formerly United States Minister to Great Britain.

† The following resolution was adopted by the House of Bishops at Minneapolis, October 19, 1895:

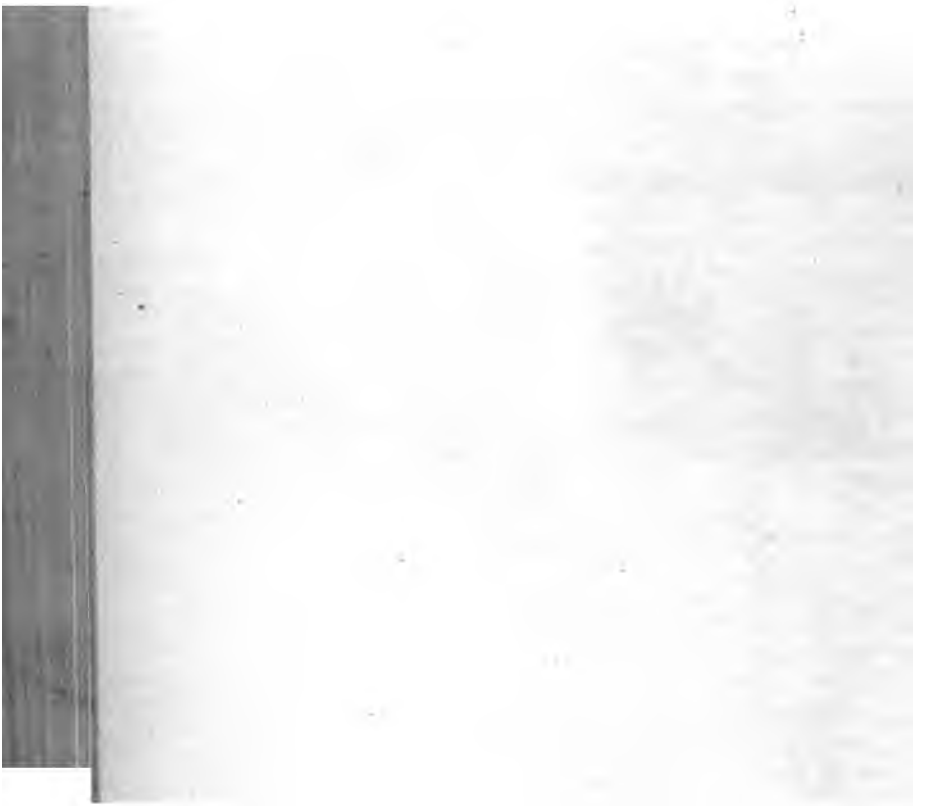
"*Resolved*, That in the judgment of this House it is not competent for any minister of this Church to celebrate the marriage of a divorced person without such inquiry as shall sufficiently conform to the requirements of the Canon on Marriage and Divorce, and sufficiently protect the rights of all

remembering your ordination promise "so to minister the Doctrine and Sacraments, and the Discipline of Christ, as the Lord hath commanded, and as this Church hath received the same," and to take heed that the people, old and young, committed to your charge, are rightly instructed in the Christian law concerning Marriage and Family Life.

I beseech you all to keep in mind, and to uphold before others, the dignity of the marriage estate, to be entered into "reverently, discreetly, advisedly, soberly, and in the fear of God," and preserved in honour, purity, and faithfulness,* according to God's holy ordinance.

parties concerned in the case; and that marriages celebrated without these safeguards merit the explicit reprobation of this House." (*Journal of the General Convention*, 1895, pp. 137, 138.)

* Heb., xiii. 4.



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FORM OF CERTIFICATE FOR LAY DELEGATES.

Parish of————, Church of————
A. D.

I hereby certify that ——— Church has——— male communicants. And I further certify that at a meeting of the Vestry of the Parish of ———— Church, held this day, as the Canon directs, A. B. and C. D., communicants in said Parish, were duly chosen to represent the said Parish in the ensuing Convention of the Diocese.

E. F.,
Secretary of the Vestry of
——— Church ———

The next Annual Convention of the Diocese will be held at St. Thomas's Church, Brandon, on the third Wednesday in June, 1897, unless some other date be designated by the Bishop and Standing Committee, commencing at 9 o'clock A. M.

THOMAS H. CANFIELD, Secretary.

TITLE I. CANON 5.

OF REGULAR ATTENDANCE AT CONVENTION.

SEC. 1. Every Parish in this Diocese which shall not hereafter be represented in the Annual Diocesan Convention by a Lay Delegation, unless for reasons satisfactory to the Bishop, shall be considered as not entitled to any appropriation from the Board of Land Agents, or from any Missionary Board of the Diocese; and Parishes neglecting to send Delegates for two successive Conventions may be, on motion, stricken from the list of Parishes, until they make suitable acknowledgment.

SEC. 2. No member of the Convention shall leave the same during the sessions without having applied for and received leave of absence from the Convention.

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